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Victoria and vicinity—Moderate south to southwest gales; mild, with scattered showers.
Vancouver and vicinity—Strong southerly winds or moderate gales; cloudy and mild, with showers.

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DALADIER WINS FINE VICTORY; ITALY WILL NOT RECOGNIZE PACT

French Premier Forces Strong Vote of Confidence After Government Narrowly Escapes Defeat—Note From Rome Makes Foreign Position Difficult in Holding 1935 Treaty to Be Invalid

PARIS, Dec. 23 (AP).—Premier Daladier won a marked political victory early today by forcing a strong 366 to 229 vote of confidence from the Chamber of Deputies, which almost overthrew his Government yesterday afternoon. The vote was on omnibus approval of budget expenses and receipts, along with financial decrees, which had raised so much protest among the Opposition.

From outside, however, his position was made more difficult as Italy declared that she considered invalid the 1935 Mussolini-Laval agreement.

IMPLIED APPROVAL

Yesterday the Chamber, in a test ballot on the Premier's decree laws during debate on the 1939 budget, voted 291 to 284 to include in the Appropriation Bill a section carrying implied approval of all the decree laws issued under the new three-year economic plan.

This showed a breaking away of deputies from the Government since, in the first test of the decree laws on December 10, the Chamber backed Daladier 315 to 241.

The Government later won a stronger vote of confidence when the deputies, 323 to 265, approved adoption of entire article two of the Budget Bill, including the disputed section which was the issue in the first vote.

This article implied approval of the decree laws, including the special 2 per cent income tax application which the Socialists and Communists opposed.

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COLD SPELL IN BRITAIN WANES

Snow, Rain and Fog Hampering Communications—Death List Fifty

LONDON, Dec. 22 (AP).—Snow, rain and fog continued to hit Great Britain's communications tonight as the cold wave reluctantly receded.

Many roads still were snowbound and some villages cut off. Long-distance trains ran as much as two hours late. Fog stalled all shipping in the Thames Estuary.

Three flying boats carrying nine tons of Christmas mail to various Empire points were delayed at Southampton because the Macon River in France, first scheduled landing point, is frozen.

RISE IN TEMPERATURE

The forecast indicated slowly rising temperatures with more snow, sleet or rain. The mid-east coast shivered in sub-freezing cold, but the mercury reached the 40s in the southwest.

The King and Queen, with Queen Mary and the two young Princesses, drove through heavy rain from Wolverton Station for the customary family Christmas at Sandringham.

Londoners trying to reach plumbers, coal dealers, and to carry out Christmas shopping from their homes, clogged the telephone system. The use of electricity increased 30 per cent in the London area and 15 per cent throughout the country.

An official check showed more than fifty deaths due directly or indirectly to the cold spell since Monday.

Man Sent to Jail for New Kind of Fraud

MINNEAPOLIS, Minn., Dec. 22 (AP).—Something new in "rackets" ended in police court here today, when Joe Henderson, thirty-seven-year-old half-breed, was sentenced by Judge J. Fleming to one year in jail for conspiracy to defraud and false pretences.

Several municipalities complained Henderson had committed fraud in collecting wolf bounties. Evidence showed he made over gopher pelts to resemble wolf heads and collected \$2 a scalp. To prevent detection he allowed the pelts to age.

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Wins Grand Prize in Lighting Contest



Three brilliantly illuminated Wise Men, mounted on camels and following the Star of Bethlehem, was the symbolic display which won the grand prize for C. E. Blaney, Jr., 678 Dallas Road, in the annual home lighting contest of the Junior Chamber of Commerce. Judging was concluded yesterday, and the contest will officially conclude tomorrow evening. Thirty-four home-owners of Victoria, Oak Bay and Saanich entered the competition, which produced many artistically decorated dwellings.

Conservative Victory in Scottish Test Bolsters Policy of Appeasement

Freighter Alongside Ship Sinking in Atlantic to Rescue Crew

NEW YORK, Dec. 22 (AP).—Radio Corporation of America received a wireless report from a United States Government-owned freighter in the North Atlantic tonight saying that she was standing by a Norwegian ship in distress.

"Standing by Norwegian steamer Smaragd which is in a sinking condition," the message to R.C.A. said. "Ship case oil loaded for Holland. Will attempt rescue at daylight. Weather conditions at present northwest gale, rough."

The Smaragd, a vessel of 1,181 gross tons, left Norfolk, Va., on December 15 for Port William, Scotland. The Schock was westbound for New York. The Maritime Commission at Washington said the ships were 600 miles southeast of Ambrose lightship, which is outside New York harbor.

No Likelihood of Ottawa Granting Loan for Forum

Dominion Act Limited to Financing of Urgently Needed Projects Only, Advice From Federal Capital Indicates—Loan for Arena Not Regarded as Governmental Function

VICTORIA has no hope of securing a low interest rate loan for the construction of a civic forum and auditorium under the Dominion Government's aid to municipalities plan, because an arena is not the type of project contemplated in the legislation, according to advice received here from Ottawa.

Under the Municipal Improvement Assistance Act, it is pointed out, the project for which a loan is granted must not only be self-liquidating, but also its completion must make an important contribution to the relief of unemployment in the municipality concerned. Furthermore, the project must be "urgently needed" in order to enable the municipality to carry out one of its "normal governmental functions."

Projects such as civic arenas are not regarded as coming under this category, and applications by Victoria today reported gains over the Japanese on two fronts deep in the interior of China.

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DOMINION SELECTS COMMISSION TO EXAMINE HIGHWAY PROJECT; B.C. TO CONTROL OWN TERRITORY

J. W. Spencer and Arthur Dixon, Victoria, to Represent Province on Five-Man Board—Estimated Cost of Construction Given as \$20,000,000—U.S. Set-Up Already Completed

OTTAWA, Dec. 22 (AP).—Prime Minister Mackenzie King announced tonight the Government had appointed a five-member commission to consider the project involving construction of a highway in British Columbia from the international border to Alaska. The following will constitute the commission: Hon. Charles Stewart, chairman of the Canadian section of the International Joint Commission; Brig.-General T. L. Tremblay, of Quebec; J. M. Wardle, of the Department of Mines and Resources here; Arthur Dixon, of Victoria, deputy minister of public works in British Columbia, and J. W. Spencer, of Victoria.

For more than a year the project has been a live issue. Premier Pattullo of British Columbia has been interested in the scheme, and has conferred with both Canadian and United States Government officials on the matter.

While British Columbia would have all the authority with respect to the section passing through that province, the Dominion Government comes into the picture when consideration is given the section passing through the Yukon territory, administered by the Federal authority.

In announcing appointment of a commission, Mr. Mackenzie King said Premier Pattullo had "repeatedly emphasized the importance and beneficial results which, in his opinion, would follow from the decision to construct a highway which would unite the road system of British Columbia and the Yukon territory with that of Alaska."

It was stated officially representations had been received from United States with regard to construction of this highway.

Notice was taken, the announcement said, of the similar action of the United States Congress in appointing a commission of five persons to co-operate with a commission set up in Canada.

It also was noted in the order-in-council that the order-in-council was issued on December 22, 1938.

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REFUSES TO APOLOGIZE

U.S. Tells Germany Attacks Can Neither Be Prevented Nor Restrained

WASHINGTON, Dec. 22 (AP).—The United States, adopting the stiffest language used toward Germany since Great War days, emphatically refused today to apologize for Interior Secretary Ickes' recent denunciation of the Nazi regime and warned attacks could neither be prevented nor restrained.

Sumner Welles, acting secretary of state, told the German chargé d'affaires that recent policy in the Reich had shocked American public opinion more profoundly than anything in many decades and that indignation as expressed by Ickes at Cleveland last Sunday represented the feeling of the overwhelming majority of the people of the United States.

His warning was delivered in a pointed refusal to accept Germany's protest against Ickes' speech. The protest was delivered verbally yesterday by the chargé d'affaires, Dr. Hans Thomsen, who requested an official expression of regret.

Ickes had declared Germany's persecution of Jews carried that nation back to a "period of history when man was unlettered, benighted, and brutal."

Welles' words emphasized anew the strained relations which already have resulted in withdrawal of ambassadors by both countries.

"SERIOUS AFFAIR"

BERLIN, Dec. 22 (AP).—The Nazi Government tonight gravely studied the United States' rejection of Berlin's demand for an official apology for a speech last Sunday by Harold Ickes, Interior Secretary in President Roosevelt's Cabinet.

One official said the incident "evidently has become a serious affair" and that it would be premature to venture a forecast of Germany's reaction.

Pro-Nazi Threatening Letters Are Received

NEW YORK, Dec. 22 (AP).—Anonymous threatening letters have been received by three celebrities who participated in the opening of the Theatre Arts committee's refugee aid campaign Monday, it was disclosed today. They were pro-Nazi in their wording.

They were Dorothy Thompson, political commentator, and Raymond Massey and Walter Huston, Canadian-born actors in Broadway hits.

City Prosecutor Oscar Orr said a medical examination of Erickson had revealed his mental condition to be normal. He said the doctor's report expressed belief the logger would not repeat his act and that there was no suicidal intent.

Stores Are Crowded As Christmas Week Of Buying Nears End

Only Two Days Remain Before Stores Close for Long Holiday—Retailers Say Trade Compares Favorably With Big Turnover Last Year

A KEEN wind and occasional showers were not sufficient to keep the indefatigable Christmas shoppers away from the city yesterday, and throughout the day—and particularly in the late afternoon—business boomed, as the final week of purchasing for the festive season drew to a close.

The city streets were filled with parcel-laden fathers, mothers and children during the afternoon, and additional policemen were required at the main intersections to curb the over-eagerness of hurrying shoppers who were inclined to disregard the traffic lights.

The parking of automobiles, dimly lit in the city last week, has now become an acute problem and many motorists are forced to leave their cars several blocks from intended destinations.

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DUTY DOUBLED ON CHEAP SOUVENIRS

Tariff to Be Based on Double Value of Goods to Halt Influx Into Canada

OTTAWA, Dec. 22 (AP).—The Government clamped down today on any influx of cheap foreign souvenirs and other articles likely to be popular during the visit of the King and Queen next year. All such articles will have to pay duty based on double their invoice value.

The Government's action follows closely on representations made some days ago on this matter by the Canadian Legion and the British Empire Service League. These have principally on the fact, however, that many commodities were being imported from Japan without the name of the country of origin being stamped on them.

ONLY TWO MORE DAYS

With only two shopping days remaining before the stores close for the long holiday, merchants and retailers generally anticipate a big rush of business today and tomorrow.

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Skilled Mechanics Going to England To Study Aircraft

Canadian Artisans Will Take Course in Old Country and Later Return to Canada to Make Bombing Planes

LONDON, Dec. 22 (P).—About fifty skilled Canadian workmen will cross the Atlantic shortly to learn the technical secrets of aircraft construction from Lewis Ord, Canadian production genius who leaves for Canada early in the new year to superintend construction of airplanes there for the Royal Air Force.

Called from his job as production director of Britain's air armament programme to take over general management of Canadian Associated Aircraft Limited, the Toronto-born engineer will return to Canada in February to become active head of the firm that Canadian aircraft builders formed to make bombers for Britain.

Arrangements have been completed, the fifty-seven-year-old Canadian said, for the nucleus of fifty skilled Canadian craftsmen to come to England for a period of training in manufacture of the Handley-Page "Hampden" heavy bombers they will later build in Canada. Mr. Ord had a lengthy railroad career in Canada and expressed every confidence in ability of Canadian labor to turn out airplanes.

TASK NOT DIFFICULT
"My experience has been that the training of labor for a new type of mechanical production is not as difficult as it sounds, and the potentialities of Canadian labor are unbounded," he told an interviewer in his busy Air Ministry office where he is working to clean up loose ends of the big job he is leaving.

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Gained First Prize in City Class



The home of Togo Takahashi, 42 Gorge Road, which won first prize in the Victoria City class of the home lighting contest of the Junior Chamber of Commerce, is pictured above. The smartly laid-out Japanese garden and modern dwelling adapted itself ideally to a clever lighting scheme for this annual competition, and won a handsome electric chime clock for its owner.

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R. O'MEARA MENTIONED

Expect Appointment Shortly To Provincial Trade Position Here

While the official appointment has not yet been made, the Provincial Department of Trade and Industry has forwarded the name of Robert Stewart O'Meara, formerly of this city, to Ottawa in connection with the new post of co-ordinating officer in the Provincial trade branch, it was learned yesterday on reliable authority. Word of the formal appointment is expected to be made shortly.

Educated in Victoria elementary and high schools, Mr. O'Meara served overseas at the front between 1915 and 1919 before joining the Federal Department of Commerce in 1921, being identified with that service until January, 1937, when he resigned on the ground of temporary ill health.

HAS LONG SERVICE
In the Federal field he acted as junior trade commissioner at Ottawa in 1922; as assistant trade commissioner at Calcutta between 1923 and 1924; assistant trade commissioner in South Africa in 1924 and 1925; Canadian trade commissioner at Singapore and Malaya between 1926 and 1929; special trade official at Chicago between 1929 and 1931; trade commissioner at Athens, Greece, in 1931; attached to the Hamburg, Germany, office between 1932 and 1935, and, after a brief intermission at Ottawa, sent as trade commissioner to Kobe, Japan, in 1936.

While others were in the field for the same appointment, it is believed that Mr. O'Meara will be selected, if Ottawa concurs in interrupting a fifteen-year connection with the Federal service, mostly abroad. In 1921 Mr. O'Meara took

SPY SUSPECT IN SPAIN ENDS LIFE

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tained, the communiqué said, referring to disclosure of the alleged espionage plot at Irun with seizure of documents from the luggage of a British vice-consul.

It was said authoritatively not more than fifty persons were under arrest on espionage charges throughout insurgent Spain.

Many authorities at Irun, on the frontier, declared documents dispatched through the British vice-consul at San Sebastian were intended to inform Government Spain of insurgent military plans.

ENVOY EXONERATED
(London Informants said the vice-consul, Harold Goodman, had been absolved of any guilt in connection with the documents, taken from his belongings at Irun last Monday.)

Whether the disclosure was responsible for the delay in the insurgent offensive was not known, but heavy snows and rains have been such as to hamper major activity.

The insurgent press carried front page accounts of espionage and took cognizance of the reported counter revolts, the reported arrest of 765 officers and soldiers at Burgos and the reported shooting of two colonels, but immediately termed the reports "lies inspired by Red propaganda."

Informal sources said the San Sebastian incident undoubtedly created reports of subversive activities at Pamplona, Segovia, Salamanca, Victoria and Zaragoza.

CAN THEY TAKE IT?
CALGARY, Dec. 22 (P).—Alberta housewives who give their milkman, postman, breadman or grocery clerk a wee drink for Christmas today were requested to hand out bowls of soup this year instead of liquor. The request came from Mrs. James McArthur, Alberta president of the Women's Christian Temperance Union.

ties today find it difficult, if not wholly impossible, to finance necessary municipal utilities through the ordinary investment channels.

FEDERAL MONEY
The Victoria forum proposal, it is felt, would require the Federal Government to take money of all the people of Canada for the purpose of subsidizing here the construction of a type of project which in most municipalities is not regarded as a governmental function at all.

Questioned last night as to whether he had received any indication as to how an application for a loan on the 7 per cent interest plan would be received by the Dominion Government, Mayor Andrew McAvlin replied that he had no official advice.

He stated, however, that at the outset he had felt some doubt as to whether the project would come within the scope of the Federal act, and had spoken of that doubt to the delegation from the forum committee which had approached the council some weeks ago.

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For the traditional Christmas tree there is a considerable demand for ornaments, tinsel and electric lighting sets. The danger of fire from the old-fashioned candle lighting is a thing of the past, for electric candles and strings of little colored lamps can be purchased at very small cost, and make a warm and attractive display.

Already, visitors from the United States have begun to arrive in Victoria to enjoy the festivities at the Empress Hotel, which are a feature of the Christmas season here. Those who spend a Christmas at the Empress Hotel usually return the following year, and of the 500 reservations made at the hotel from United States cities, many are by families who have been here for Christmas before, or by others to whom the fame of the celebrations has spread.

**NO LIKELIHOOD OF
RECEIVING LOAN**
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eral other municipalities for loans for similar purposes have been rejected. In the act, specific reference is made to municipal gas plants, electric lighting systems, waterworks systems, and works of a similar nature, and these illustrate very clearly the type of project which Parliament had in mind, it is explained.

The Municipal Improvements Assistance Act involves a radical innovation in Canadian constitutional practice, in that the Dominion Government for the first time is making loans directly to municipalities. It is emphasized that such loans can only be justified on two emergency grounds: The desirability of the providing productive employment, and the fact that many municipalities

are unable to obtain the necessary funds to carry out their plans.

CHECK TO THE RESTLESS
Defeat of the Duchesne firm supporter of the Spanish Government cause—was a severe check to the unrest among certain Conservatives over both Mr. Chamberlain's appeasement policy and rearmament plans which they consider inadequate.

The Duchesne lost to William McNeil Snadden, who campaigned as a hearty supporter of Mr. Chamberlain. The vote was 11,808 to 10,495. The election was in the Kinsmen and West Perth division.

Since the September "peace of Munich" the Government has amassed 196,686 votes to 176,796 for Opposition candidates in eight by-elections, but lost two seats, Bridgewater and Dartford, to Labor.

The Duchesne forced the by-election by resigning as a Conservative when her constituents disavowed her. She ran as an Independent supported by Labor, Liberals and disident Conservatives such as Winston Churchill.

**STORES CROWDED AS
CHRISTMAS NEARS**
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row. The bulk of seasonal purchasing has, of course, been completed, but past experience shows that last-minute purchases of Christmas gifts are responsible for a great volume of business on the last two days before the holidays commence, and also with a three-day holiday ahead, housewives will require to lay in supplies of perishable foodstuffs to last until the stores reopen on Wednesday.

"Business generally is holding up very well," George E. MacDonald, chairman of the retail merchants' section of the Chamber of Commerce, said yesterday. A marked increase in the daily turnover had been noted during the past few days, he said, and the indications were that the 1938 Christmas season would be a very satisfactory one for trade generally.

INCREASE NOTED
Already a number of retailers in the city report an aggregate Christmas trade turnover in excess of that at the corresponding day before Christmas last year. Others find that their returns are approximately equal to those of 1937, which was the best Christmas trade season since 1929.

With schools closed for the Christmas vacation, the final shopping week is the children's big opportunity, and on Wednesday afternoon and yesterday the stores were thronged with excited kiddies, who showed a marked partiality for the toy departments, where there is such an enticing display of toys of all kinds that choice of purchases is a thrilling experience for young shoppers.

Somewhat or other the harassed clerks, kept constantly on the run to meet the demands of hordes of customers, still manage to preserve a cheerful mien. Good service is the rule everywhere, and shoppers in doubt as to what to purchase for relatives or friends, find the clerks ready with helpful advice.

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KINROSS AND WEST PERTH

The by-election in Kinross and West Perth was acknowledged by all interested parties as the most important in Great Britain since the Munich Agreement. It was a challenge made by the Unionist Party (Unionists) to the policy of appeasement in European affairs being pursued by Mr. Neville Chamberlain. Her opponent, Mr. W. McNair Snadden, a National Unionist, was successful at the polls on Wednesday by a majority of 1,313. At the last general election the Duchess of Atholl secured 15,238 votes to her Liberal opponent's 10,069. On Wednesday she stood as an independent in opposition to Mr. Chamberlain's foreign policies. Mr. Snadden, the winner, said after his selection as candidate, "I have no shadow of doubt at all in my mind that Mr. Chamberlain is leading us along the road of hope. The alternative road, to me, is the road of despair."

The verdict of Kinross and West Perth is significant of the new strength which Mr. Chamberlain has brought to the British National Government by his handling of foreign affairs. A Scottish county does not change its opinions easily; it cannot be stampeded by dramatic action and the Duchess of Atholl seems to have overestimated her personal popularity, as well as failing to appreciate the sentiment of her former constituents. It was policies, not personalities, on which the voters gave their decision. The county wishes Mr. Chamberlain to carry on and give the country peace. The application of the Duchess for the Chiltern Hundreds was caused by the decision of a majority of the Kinross and West Perth Unionist Association to bring forward a candidate to oppose her at the next general election. This decision was reached after her display of opposition to Mr. Chamberlain's policies in the House of Commons. She determined to have the issue tried at once and she has met with defeat.

POLITICAL WELTER OF WORDS

Probably it is at the capital that more is known of the inner meaning of the wordy exchanges between Federal Cabinet ministers, on the one hand, and Premiers of the provinces, on the other. In any case, "The Ottawa Journal" describes what is going on as "a political welter of words." It does not take the differences seriously, as indeed who does, save perhaps the principals involved. The "welter" has given Ontario's Liberal members of the House of Commons, and the defeated Liberal candidates for Federal honors in the last Dominion election the opportunity to hold a caucus, which was really a love feast at which they reaffirmed their allegiance to Mr. Mackenzie King, as if anyone doubted it.

There is one trifling issue of the "welter" that the Journal calls attention to, namely, the statement of the Minister of Labor that a conspiracy exists, presumably in reference to some attempt by the leaders in Quebec and Ontario to oust Mr. Mackenzie King from the leadership of the Federal Liberal Party. It alludes to Mr. R. B. Bennett's request that the Minister of Labor "should produce the evidence of such a conspiracy at the earliest moment." There is a loose use of the language among politicians. A "conspiracy" is an agreement among two or more persons to do an evil act in concert. It is a combination to commit treason, or excite sedition or insurrection. "Conspiracy" is used where there is evil intent, and it also implies secrecy and clandestine dealings, in other words, dealings which are hidden from the limelight of public opinion. The Journal says "there is nothing private or secret about Mr. Bennett's antagonism towards Mr. King—He shouted it from the house, put it into letters and newspaper statements and interviews; once belittled it into a radio microphone. The whole business was about as private as the love-making of a gold fish."

FIGHTERS OR BOMBERS, WHICH?

Two articles, each running to about fifteen hundred words, have appeared in The London Spectator, dealing with the alternative indicated in the above. In the interest of efficiency, which type of machine is most to be relied on? Mr. J. M. Spaight's answer is "Fighters, not bombers." Mr. Nigel Tangye replies to Mr. Spaight in an article entitled "Bombers, not Fighters."

The way to scotch the bombing pest, says Mr. Spaight, is to produce enormous quantities of fighters. Recent warfare in Spain and in China has, in his opinion, established the predominance of the fighter. It has been found that if bombers are to escape heavy casualties they must be provided with strong escorts of fighters. This is possible only when the raids are conducted from bases close at hand. It is not practicable for long distance raids. Bombers unescorted by fighters are highly vulnerable. Mr. Spaight believes that as long as other countries have bombers, Britain must employ bombers, but the picture before his eye is that of clouds of fighters rising swiftly into the air at points along the coast, ready to pounce upon any bombers that "show their noses inside the coastal line."

One story, however, is good only until another is told. Mr. Tangye says that attack is the best method of defence. The proposal to concentrate upon fighters may satisfy politicians who wish to show the world that Britain contemplates no act of aggression, but it does not satisfy "technicians or tacticians," who, it appears, are well aware of the inadequacy of the fighter as the best means of protecting the country against aggression. The picture in Mr. Tangye's mind's eye is very different from that which Mr. Spaight

sees. To the former the picture of a fleet of bombers coming over the North Sea on a fine day is rather absurd. In his opinion, the raiding bomber will choose one of those numerous days when the sky is overcast with thick clouds. He will fly in cloud, by dead reckoning. Occasionally he will dip below the cloud base for a moment or two. Three or four of these brief appearances will be sufficient for his purpose. At the proper moment he drops his bombs, rises into the cloud again, and "heads for home."

On the one hand, then, it is proposed that for purposes of defence the fighting machines should be so numerous that the while, or worth the cost of venturing upon an attack. Naturally also, the means to launch a counter offensive should not be neglected, but since fighting machines are purely defensive weapons, a great force of such machines can give no offence to anyone. Limitation of armaments, if and when it comes, will apply to the "offensive" bomber, not to the defensive fighter.

On the other hand the proposal is to make the British Air Force something to be feared, as well as respected as a proposition chiefly defensive in nature. Mr. Tangye makes no apology for advocating the building of a "mighty bomber fleet."

AUSTRALIA AND JEWISH REFUGEES

Australia has agreed to take 15,000 European refugees over a period of three years. They may be Aryans, Jews and non-Aryan Christians, that is partly or wholly Jewish of Christian faith. Permits are to be granted for their entrance, with safeguards provided for preserving the existing standards of living and labor. Every refugee accepted by the Commonwealth must be of good health and character and each must possess £200 (Australian) on landing, or have his or her maintenance guaranteed by an individual or organization in Australia. The Government will establish an organization to assist Aryan and non-Aryan Christians after their arrival. This is the policy announced by Mr. John McEwen, the Minister of the Interior. It is acquiesced in by Mr. Curtin (Labor), the Leader of the Opposition, who said the "Australians would unhesitatingly accept the conditions under which the refugees are to be admitted."

The Times, of London, annually brings out a "Winter Sunshine Travel Number" and this year's appeared on November 29. It contains excellently written articles on winter resorts in many parts of the world—on the West Indies and Madeira, the Cote d'Azur, old Provence, the Bahamas, Southern California, the Mediterranean, French North Africa, Egypt and the Sudan, British Spas, South America, India, the Netherlands, East Indies, Southern Spain, Portugal, Australia, Bermuda, Kenya and Italian resorts. Canada is not included among places that may be reached in cruising in search of the winter sun. The Dominion tourist bodies throughout the country, seem to have omitted an opportunity for securing a most desirable and powerful type of publicity, because The Times, of London, appeals to a class of people who travel.

TROUBADOUR SONG

My love for you is like a pleasant land
Of fragrant orchards in well-watered vales
Among the green and wooded hills, that stand
Between their quiet and the ocean gales,
Whose clouds across the lofty hillslope blown
Only dissolve in April rain that falls
Between the singing streams, a clearer tone
And fuller lending to their madrigals.

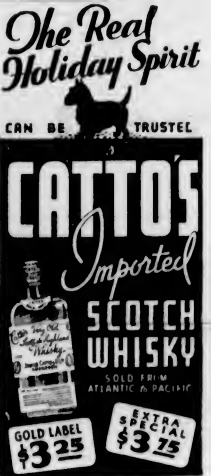
Then, as the birds join in with eager notes,
My love is as a magic life that floats
Upon a sea of fairy song, and I
To you must sing my love for you—or die.
—Sir Patrick Ford.

The Weather

Meteorological Office, Victoria, B.C., at 7:00 p.m., December 22, 1938.

SYNOPSIS OF WEATHER CONDITIONS
A storm is approaching the North Coast of British Columbia and pressure is rising rapidly south of Vancouver Island. It has been mild, with strong winds and rain along the Coast and light to moderate snow-falls have occurred in the Interior of this province. The weather continues fair and mild on the Prairies.

PRECIPITATION AND TEMPERATURES			
	Precipitation	Min.	Max.
Victoria	.02	40	49
Nanaimo	.03	39	42
Seattle	.41	38	42
Kamloops	.14	20	30
Prince George	.18	18	32
Stevan Point	.70	40	46
Prince Rupert	.26	38	44
Atanga	.16	40	42
Atlin		18	18
Dawson	Trace	118	7
Seattle	.23	40	42
Portland	.03	38	46
San Francisco		50	52
Spokane	.01	18	32
Los Angeles		50	66
Peñon		18	32
Kelowna	.23	19	31
Grand Forks	.07	2	24
Nelson	.03	20	28
Calgary		18	28
Cranbrook		2	27
Calgary		12	38
Edmonton		10	36
Calgary Current		8	30
Moore Jaw		8	30
Prince Albert		2	26
Saskatoon		0	22
Qu Appelle		26	26
Winnipeg	Trace	18	26
Wednesday—			
Toronto		13	22
Ottawa		8	18
Edin John		20	26
Halifax		24	28



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Holiday Rates Announced for Long-Distance Calls

The low rates ordinarily in effect on long-distance telephone calls to Canadian and American points at nights and on Sundays will apply throughout the following periods:

Christmas Weekend: From 7 p.m., Saturday, December 24, to 4:30 a.m., Tuesday, December 27.

New Year's Weekend: From 7 p.m., Saturday, December 31, to 4:30 a.m., Tuesday, January 3.

Call Long Distance Rate Clerk for special rates on transoceanic calls and on radio-telephone calls in B.C.

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WARNINGS FOR B.C. CONCERNS

Provincial Registrar of Companies Serves Notice of Technical Defaults

Warnings that cancellations would follow unless the terms of provincial statutes were complied with were sent out this week to more than 600 addresses by the Provincial Companies Branch, in the year's end clean-up of dormant incorporations. Failure to file statements required under the Companies Act led to the warnings in most instances.

Incorporations continued brisk, despite the holiday season, the following list of societies and companies being granted licences:

Co-operatives—Yarrow Growers' Co-operative Union, at Yarrow, B.C.

Societies—Happy Time Social Club, at Vancouver, and New Massett Community Club, at New Massett, B.C.

B.C. COMPANIES

Domestic companies incorporated included the following concerns:

Mount Zeballos Gold Mines, Ltd. (N.P.L.), \$1,500,000, public company, Vancouver.

Rigash, Ltd., \$100,000, Vancouver.

Fraser Alluvial (B.C.) Mining & Dredging Company, Ltd., \$50,000, Vancouver.

Ritchie's, Ltd., \$10,000, Vancouver.

H. Martin Richards Company, Ltd., \$10,000, Vancouver.

Cut-Rate Furniture Company, Ltd., \$10,000, Vancouver.

Campbell Auto Supply Company, Ltd., \$10,000, Kamloops.

Balderson's U-Drive, Ltd., \$10,000, Vancouver.

R. H. Marlow, Ltd., \$10,000, Vancouver.

Greater Vancouver Locators, Ltd., \$10,000, Vancouver.

No extra provincial concerns were licensed during the period.

106 YEARS OLD

PARADISE N.S. Dec. 22 (Cp).—Christmas Eve will hold more than its Yuletide significance for Stephen Luxie, one-time Annapolis Valley guide. He will celebrate his 106th birthday.

FROM THE ATTIC WINDOW



By SPY

Germans love to make merry. In Berlin, and everywhere, you'll find their capacity for beer and dancing can be reckoned in gallons and kilometres against pinis and metres in other countries.

"Ober! Herr Ober! (Waiter! Waiter!) Noch fumpf biere (five more beers). Viel musik auch mit (plenty of music, too), bitte! (please)."

There they shout, and away they go—and take it. They work crassly anywhere from 6 a.m. to 8 p.m. (in field, factory, hotel or office), and I'll bet that from 9 p.m. to 3 a.m., 70 per cent of the entire German nation is twirling to the "Blue Danube," with all cogs cooled, smoothed and powered by beers that have no equal.

And the fatter those brave people, the faster they spin, the more Pilsner they consume and the later they revel.

In Berlin, any night, you'll see bank clerks, office clerks, truck drivers and peasant soldiers circling happily away from the dance halls down around the Potsdamer Platz at 3 in the morning. You'd see tail-coated industrialists, play-boys and financiers bending (a trifle puffily) into their attendant "Horschs" or "Mercedes Benz" outside the "Fascho" or "Circus" (West End).

around 6; and then at 9 a.m., or even earlier, you'd find both truck driver and potentate coolly and efficiently functioning in his respective and appointed place of toil.

Night after night, those indefatigable, jound-Tuotons would "swing it" 'til all was grey-pink in their own heads as well as in the encroaching dawn, and after two or three hours sleep (often none), would be up and as pert and chipper as sparrows around the early milk delivery.

Conjunctly with the above, the average German not only loves entertainment but is easily entertained. From observations in Frankfurt, Hamburg, Köln and München I deplored the low-pear rumble of their cabarets and shows; nor were such vehicles any livelier in Berlin.

One of Hitler's amazing efflorescences was to exhale his highly-purging, highly-disinfecting breath upon Berlin's night life, resulting that nowadays you can slide your bassinet (with drooping babe, incumbent) on any table in any cabaret in Berlin, without qualm or tremor asent said babe incumbent's immediate or future danger of pollution.

Hence, average German floor-show starts with a prolonged shattering of drums and cymbals, into whose dying embers darts a smirking and obsequious "direktor" (manager), demanding "silence!" He then "gags" with his meek audience at abominable length prior to placing them in the unctuous palms of the master-of-ceremonies, who, from that moment, not only owns the "house" but everything that breathes within it. He talks, he laughs, he grimaces, he gesticulates, and even if his fingers ripple like board fashion up or down his lapels, his spellbound audience reels and roars in abandoned and ungovernable glee.

I've been outraged by such super-lunatic on many occasions, and can quite pleasantly report that about 90 per cent of their attempted quips and wisecracks soar no higher than the synthetic laces on their synthetic shoes.

But, oh, on they rave, ever applauded ever encored, until there's scarce time or need for the third-rate dance team, or the Veight-faced prestidigitator (card-tricks almost annihilate Germans), or the troupe of nobby-bodied acrobats that generally climax a German cabaret, to perform at all. (An Englishman would explain the whole thing very nicely by drawing.

"Rather shaggy show," while a Frenchman might make it a little more explicit with "Ah! Magnifique! Charmante, of course... but, ou la la... where here ze jolies femmes?")

Queue up now, for Berlin's theatres—the Scala, the Comische, the Berlin Opera House, the Winter Garden, the Admirals Palast, and a half-dozen lesser homes of comedy and drama.

But not much can I say. Linguistic intricacies completely barred all intimacy toward straight plays or drama, although I was once happily coerced into a comedy that at the time had Berlin giggling pretty hard. My coerced was supposedly a fraud. Unfortunately, it was also a most spirited and arduous interpreter. Not one word of that comedy did he fail to explain in loud English, while the people within twenty rows a-front and behind began twisting, scowling and even hissing the venom of their violated patience.

Result... at the end of the second act, I was forced to distress my friend-interpreter with "Excuse. I feel strangely ill," and then sink from the theatre like a discharged third-footman from his master's cold and unrelenting eye.

I was also once tricked into the Berlin Opera House, which, however, eventuated quite delightfully. Sitting behind an obliterating post was more than excuse for complete detachment and relaxation. So for two lovely hours I dreamed of ice hockey and my overdrafts in distant lands, while the people on the stage flung their wealth of chanting upon the submissive air.

Variety shows, as offered by the Spala, Winter Garden, or Admirals Palast, consisted of imported artistry from London; Brussels, Wien, with possibly an odd turn from New York—but never Paris.

The London Ballet (whatever that may be? There's generally the Russian Ballet on in London, and the Covent Garden Ballet—but is there an actual London Ballet?)

Anyway, whether it was the London Ballet or the Port Angeles Ballet, it was running long and healthy in Berlin's Winter Garden last season and was very bearable.

Incidentally, the Winter Garden is designed with no galleries, all one floor—almost five times wider than its depth, with stage running full length of house; so, you can imagine it's a pretty fair "tilting-yard" for anything from soprano to a circus.

Berliners support their theatres very faithfully, especially on Sundays, when the queues remind you of countless patient penguins, attendant upon some extraordinary pilgrimage. "Kinos," too, are heavily attended. And concerning "kinos," I should mention the blooming. For despite patriotism, etc., etc., American films are far more popular than the German productions that are now so blotched with propaganda that even Hitler and Goebbels would cringe ere braving the "Eingangs" to a Berlin picture house.

Hence most films are American and in "original fassung" (original speech), because the cost of transposing them to German is far greater than the system of writing sub-titles, giving at least the gist of things in German.

So much re Berlin's theatres. Tomorrow we might have a meal, or a bus ride, or even smoke one of their most pulverizing cigars.

LAST MEETING OF COUNCIL IS HELD

Nanaimo Board Members Congratulate Mayor on His Re-election—Expect Difficulties in New Year

NANAIMO, Dec. 22.—At the last meeting of the year of the Municipal Council tonight, aldermen congratulated the mayor on his re-election and jointly pledged their support in the ensuing year.

Thanking the board for the sentiment expressed, Mayor Harrison said it was a hard year, just ending, but they were faced with a harder one, including the water project.

Aldermen Greaves, Muir and Drake, were extended congratulations on their re-election on motion of Alderman Hindmarch, who pointed out, despite opposition from certain sources, Alderman Greaves had polled the largest aldermanic vote in the city's history.

Passed to the next year's council for consideration was a suggested increase in indemnity of medical and accident insurance for the Nanaimo Volunteer Fire Brigade. Next year's council will, on a motion passed tonight, give consideration to restoration of civic employees' salaries, stated long past due.

Says Canada Will Attend Sessions

OTTAWA, Dec. 22 (Cp).—Prime Minister Mackenzie King said at a press conference tonight, following a Cabinet meeting, that Canada would be represented at the meeting of the Wheat Advisory Committee in London next January 10. The delegate has not been chosen.

The Alberta Wheat Pool Board yesterday sent a telegram to the Prime Minister urging a Cabinet Minister be delegated.

YOUNG PEOPLE

Both the Young Women's and Young Men's Christian Associations are already well advanced in their Yuletide celebrations, various clubs having had charge of the activities to date. The big Christmas dinner at the Y.W.C.A. will be held tonight.

WHAT... NO SANTA CLAUS?

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OPP. "THE BAY"

Spirit of Christmas Seen in Thought for Sick, Aged, Homeless

Various Institutions Making Preparations for Observance of Yuletide—Hospitals, Orphanage, Seamen's Institute and Sunshine Inn Celebrating

PRACTICALLY every institution in the city that intends to celebrate Christmas at all is already in the midst of final preparations, and nowhere are the signs more apparent than in the two big public hospitals, whose corridors and wards are being transformed with festive touches of evergreen and holly, Christmas bells and decorated trees.

The regular Christmas dinner will take place at 12:45 on Sunday Christmas morning celebrations begin at 8 o'clock, with the tree for the domestic staff. At 9 o'clock, residents will have breakfast round the fire in the lounge, with the "family" tree afterwards. The Annex tree is to take place at 8 o'clock on Christmas Eve.

As the annual Y.M.C.A. Christmas dinner took place on Wednesday evening, the major feature of the Yuletide programme is past, with the exception of the big combined Y.W.C.A. and Y.M.C.A. New Year's Eve dinner, which is always held at the Y.W.C.A. Various events, such as the swimming gala on Wednesday, volleyball tournament on Thursday, "prep" school supper and entertainment and badminton tournament on Friday, and the Junior Leaders' Corps holiday luncheon on Saturday will fill the week. New Year's Day (to be celebrated on Monday, January 2) the big "open house" takes place, with a continuous afternoon programme.

THE ORPHANAGE

The thirty-four children at the Protestant Orphanage will hang up their stockings on Christmas Eve. Christmas Day will be observed on the Monday so far as the dinner is concerned, and some of the committee will be present to join the big family at midday-dinner and for the annual Christmas tree at 3 o'clock.

Sunshine Inn's main holiday event will be the New Year's Day dinner, and the management is preparing to entertain about 100 guests in two sittings, the first at 3 o'clock, and the second at 4. The Kwanan Club is providing the turkey and various firms of the city are furnishing some of the provisions.

The Connaught Seamen's Institute will be open on Christmas Day for any seaman who wish to call in. Refreshments will be served. At the W.C.T.U. home on Ida Street, there will be two Christmas dinners, one at midday on Sunday, and the other on Monday. The Christmas tree will take place at 2 o'clock on Monday, when the nine members of the family will be joined by some members of the committee.

The Citizens' Recreation Rooms will be open, and if sufficient donations of smoke and fruit are made there will be Christmas cheer for strangers.

The aged Chinese will, as usual, be entertained at Christmas dinner, arranged by Mrs. R. B. Mosher.

FINANCE MINISTER HOST TO MEMBERS

A special Christmas concert was held in the Victoria unit of the Army and Navy Veterans' Club headquarters, Wharf Street, last evening, when Hon. John Hart, Minister of Finance, was host to all the club members.

The Minister, who is spending the holidays in the South, was represented by his secretary, who expressed Mr. Hart's greetings and welcomed the ex-servicemen and members.

Joe Dobbie was chairman of the entertainment, and the following artists contributed: J. Glendinning (singer); Yorkie and Jerry, ventriloquist; J. Pittman, banjoist; Stanley James, comedian; Ray Hunt, tap dancer; C. Prescott, baritone; J. Ows, mandolinist; George Marsh, tumbler; and Frank Lavery, Jr., and Ted Anderson, Bill Emmerton as accompanist.

MAKE AWARDS IN COMPETITION

Home of C. E. Blaney, Jr., Wins Grand Prize in Yuletide Lighting Contest

Winners of the annual home lighting contest, sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce, which attracted thirty-four novel and beautiful entries, were announced yesterday.

C. E. Blaney, Jr., 678 Dallas Road, was declared grand prize-winner by the three judges, Alex T. Stewart, Kenneth C. Drury and E. N. Horney.

Another display which showed careful planning and originality was Togo Takahashi's home at 42 Gorge Road, which was awarded first prize for the city of Victoria. The home of J. A. Bennett, 1891 Beach Drive, took top honors in Oak Bay, and the home of H. Powell, 3370 Quadra Street, came first in the Saanich class.

The special dealers' prize went to W. A. Baylis, 1605 Bank Street, and the first place winner for decorated apartment houses was Hampton Court, 159 Cook Street.

Runner-up in the city section was the home of Alderman W. H. Davies, 610 Coventry Street. His entry was followed by James Lomas, 1893 Hollywood Crescent; Kenneth Reid, 1336 Carnarvon Street; Mrs. G. I.

Warren, 1244 Dallas Road; H. Emsor, 267 Beechwood Avenue; Mrs. D. W. Dopp, 1754 Lee Avenue; and Mrs. J. A. Raymond, 1727 Haultain Street.

C. H. Shanks, 1017 St. Patrick Street, was second in Oak Bay, and Colonel J. R. Kingham, 3485 Upper Terrace, third. George T. Moir, 340 Cook Street, was second in Saanich, and third place honors went to C. H. French, 182 Gorge Road West.

KNEW ALL OF THEM

BROCKTON, Mass., Dec. 22 (Cp).—A Lakeville man applying for citizenship was asked "I suppose you know all the town officers in Lakeville?" The man pointed to Deputy Sheriff Fred Shockley—"That's him over there." He was right. Shockley is Lakeville's chairman of the board of selectmen, chairman of the board of health, chairman of the board of assessors, chairman of the board of registrars and also park commissioner.

CONVICTS ARE MARRIED

SARNIA, Ont., Dec. 22 (Cp).—Two convicted automobile thieves married Sarnia girls at the Salvation Army Citadel yesterday, then were whisked away to reformatory for twelve-month terms. Hugh Cameron, nineteen, took his bride Annelia Paisley and James Fisher, twenty, wed Rieta Brauchamps. The youths had planned the double wedding for Christmas Eve before their arrests.

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FOR THE FESTIVE MOOD



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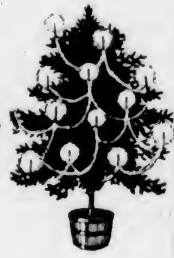
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SAVED THE TREE
BATTLE CREEK, Mich., Dec. 22 (CP).—Thirty-eight children rehearsing a Christmas play in a church here fled when they smelled smoke, abandoning their hats and coats in their rush. The only thing they rescued was their decorated Christmas tree. The church was destroyed.

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tree*



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JAPAN WOULD AID CHINA TO INDEPENDENCE

Premier Ready to Help Abolish Foreign Privileges in New Policy

DEMANDING DEFENCE
AGAINST COMMUNISM

TOKIO, Dec. 22 (AP).—Premier Prince Fumimaro Konoye today pledged Japan's help to China to abolish foreign privileges, but assured third powers "who grasp the meaning of the new East Asia" being established by Japanese conquest, that their economic interests would not be limited.

The "New East Asia," as announced by Japan last November 2, would have for its foundation "a tri-partite relationship of mutual aid and co-operation among Japan, Manchukuo and China in the political, economic, cultural and other fields."

The Premier's pledge was given in a sweeping statement on future Chinese-Japanese relations, which contained the following points:

Foreign privileges—
"Japan not only respects the sovereignty of China, but is prepared to give positive consideration to the question of the abolition of extra-territoriality and of concessions and settlements matters which are necessary for the full independence of China."

Japan, as has been announced before, is forming a political-economic bloc composed of Japan, China and Manchukuo "for common defence against Communism and for economic co-operation."

In elaborating this policy, the Premier's statement said "Japan frankly desires China to enter into complete diplomatic relations with Manchukuo of her own free will," and also demanded that China enter the anti-Communist pact among Japan, Italy and Germany.

It added: "In order to insure full accomplishment of her purpose, Japan demands, in view of the actual circumstances prevailing in China, that Japanese troops be stationed, as an anti-Communist measure, at specific points and also that the Inner Mongolian region be designated as a special anti-Communist area."

WAIVES MONOPOLIES

Future economic interests—
"Japan only seeks to render effective the co-operation and collaboration between the two countries (China and Japan) and Japan does not intend to create monopolies, or to limit the interests of those third powers who grasp the meaning of the new East Asia and are willing to act accordingly."

China, the statement said, should extend to Japan "facilities for development of China's natural resources, especially in the region of North China and Inner Mongolia."

In a summary of the Japanese programme, it added: "It will be plain Japan seeks neither territory nor indemnity for the costs of military operations in the current undeclared war. Japan demands only a minimum guarantee needed for execution by China of her function as a participant in establishment of the new order."

**Opposition for
Toronto's Mayor**

TORONTO, Dec. 22 (CP).—Emergency late today of Lewis Duncan into his first civic election campaign upset Mayor Ralph Day's chances for an acclamation.

Duncan, last year's president of the Toronto Liberal Association, qualified for election. Mayor Day received word of his opponent's qualification without comment and proceeded to draft his campaign policies.

NO APPOINTMENTS

OTTAWA, Dec. 22 (CP).—No appointments to diplomatic or Senate vacancies were announced after today's Cabinet Council—the last meeting of the Government before the Christmas holiday.

Announcements

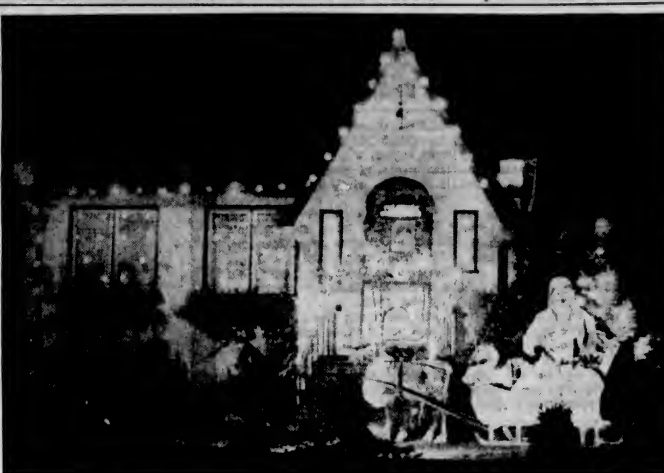
Miss Hanman (certified specialist, London, Eng.), Superfluous hair and moles removed by electrolysis, the only remedy approved by the medical profession. Miss Hanman, who has had over twenty years' practical experience in this work, is prepared to guarantee an absolute cure, providing only that the necessary number of treatments are taken. Consultations are private and quite free of obligation. Call for booklet. Phone G 7642, 503 Bayview Building.

Will the gentleman who helped to start a stalled car on Pandora Avenue, opposite Stadacona Park, Monday, Dec. 19, about 10 p.m., please inform Rona Hunter, 618 George Road. Please call personally.

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Win Top Honors for Suburban Homes



Shown above are the homes of H. Powell, 3370 Quadra Street, and J. A. Bennett, 1891 Beach Drive, which won first place in Saanich and Oak Bay, respectively, in the home lighting competition, sponsored by the Junior Chamber of Commerce, which will conclude tomorrow. Santa Claus and his reindeer are photographed as they arrive at Mr. Powell's door, the sled laden with Christmas gifts; while the white background of Mr. Bennett's home, covered with many lights, is in marked contrast to the night.

City and District

Two Fined—Two motorists were each fined \$250 in the city police court on charges of parking over the hour limit.

Cigarettes Taken—Esquimalt police reported that a large quantity of cigarettes in packets of ten and twenty-five, and chocolate bars had been taken from a store at 1243 Esquimalt Road.

Serious Charge—Attained on a charge of being in control of an automobile while intoxicated, a motorist was remanded until December 30 when he appeared in the city police court.

Is Remanded—Charged with exceeding the speed limit of thirty miles per hour, a motorist who appeared in the city police court was remanded until December 30 for trial.

Create Forest Reserve—The Lower Forest reserve was newly created by the Provincial Government this week, comprising 753 square miles, to be set aside for timber growing in the Kootenay Land District.

Court Vacation—A short court vacation will be held from 1 o'clock tomorrow afternoon until the morning of January 2. Supreme and county court chambers cases will be heard at 10 o'clock on the morning of December 29.

New Stores—H. E. Munday secured a \$5,000 city building permit yesterday for the erection of two stores at 718 Port Street. They will have stucco walls, concrete floors, bar and gravel roofs and mezzanine floors.

G. G. McGeer to Speak—At the next Rotary Club luncheon, G. G. McGeer, K.C., M.P. for Vancouver-Burrard, will address the club. His subject will deal with the outlook for 1939.

False Alarm—Charged in the city police court with turning in a fire alarm without reasonable cause, Ray Brewster was remanded until December 30 for trial, without plea or election. Bail was set at \$50 by Magistrate Hall at the request of Stuart Henderson.

Nominal Penalty—Convicted on a charge of unlawfully affixing a poster to a city light pole at Douglas and Yates Street, Thomas Money was fined \$250 in the city police court. Evidence for the prosecution was furnished by Sergeant Sydney Wilkinson.

Bonds Cancelled—Officials of the Ministry of Municipalities office canceled \$2,933,558.28 in City of Victoria bonds and stock held in the sinking fund yesterday. One new refunding bond was issued to cover the total amount of old bonds. The new bond was also canceled.

Council Ceremony—The formal ceremony of swearing in Reeve R. R. Taylor and Councillors Richard Angus, William Ellis and P. Vernon Jackson, re-elected by acclamation in Oak Bay, will take place in the Oak Bay Municipal Hall next Thursday at 10:15 a.m.

Plan Visit—Mayor Andrew McGavin, accompanied by Mrs. McGavin, will visit patients at the Jubilee and St. Joseph's Hospitals on Christmas Day. They will also distribute candy to the inmates of the children's wards. In addition to other calls, His Worship will visit the Aged and Infirm Men's Home.

Improvement Opposed—A petition signed by a majority of the property owners on Byng Street, objecting to proposed pavement work in that street, and requesting the council not to proceed with this local improvement "under any consideration," was received and filed by the Oak Bay Council yesterday.

Widow Earns Grant—The Provincial Government set aside the customary \$300 grant on completion of a soldier's housing contract yesterday, in favor of Mrs. Jessie J. Johnston, widow of a returned veteran who had entered into a housing agreement with North Vancouver.

Accept Offer—An offer of \$180 for a lot on Wakefield Road was accepted by the Oak Bay Council last night. It was pointed out that Wakefield Road was unmade, and it was resolved that the purchaser of the lot should be advised that the council would not undertake the formation of a road.

Parking Case—In the city police court yesterday, a motorist was remanded until December 29 on two charges of parking his car in the business district between the hours of 2 and 6:30 o'clock in the morning. A similar charge against a garage proprietor was withdrawn. Magistrate Henry C. Hall called attention to the proper registration of vehicles by both dealers and motorists.

Predicts Lower Totals—Hon. W. J. Ascelstone predicted mineral production for 1938 would be less by \$10,000,000 this year than in 1937, in a statement issued yesterday. The volume of ore handled, however, has been maintained, and new developments made in several branches of the industry, the minister pointed out. Producing gold fields are attracting new capital. Mr. Ascelstone said.

Firemen's Hours—A legal opinion regarding the recent amendment by the British Columbia Legislature to the Firemen's Two-Platoon Act, making its provisions mandatory rather than optional for municipalities, was received by the Oak Bay Council yesterday from Lawson & Davis, municipal solicitors, and was referred to the fire committee. The letter was withheld from the press, and no reference to its contents was made at the meeting.

Coal Output Up—British Columbia coal production gained nearly 8,000 tons in November compared with the corresponding month last year, provincial mines reports disclosed yesterday. The output was 117,915 tons, as against 110,095 tons previously. Vancouver Island mines contributed 29,945 tons of the total, or considerably less than the 71,450 tons mined in November, 1937. The chief gain was at the Michel colliery, producing 29,365 tons, compared with 3,046 tons in the corresponding period last year.

Legal Opinions—The Oak Bay Council was advised yesterday by its solicitors, Lawson & Davis, that the assent of the electors was necessary to the validity of any by-law empowering the council to accept and for the use of the municipality in case certain stipulations were attached to the gift. The council also was advised that the municipality could at any time dispose of lands acquired for park purposes, but that the assent of the electors was required if the value of the land was more than \$2,000.

**Scouts Complete
Charitable Work**

A successful conclusion to the annual Boy Scout toy shop, 1034 Johnson Street, was noted last evening with the distribution of playthings to needy families in Saanich. On Wednesday toys were distributed to children in Victoria, Oak Bay and Esquimalt, and the Saanich parents received their gifts yesterday.

Parents were allowed two toys to each child. A total of 7,400 playthings were collected, the majority of them needing various repairs.

The shop shipped 175 toys to the Indian school at Uchele.

SUGGEST BLACK FLAG

HAMILTON, Ont., Dec. 22 (CP).—Hamilton parks board members showed little enthusiasm at a meeting yesterday when considering a proposal from the young men's section of the Chamber of Commerce. The chamber wants to fly a black flag on Gore Park flagstaff on days when traffic accident fatalities occur.

FIREMEN HURT

GRANADA, Alta., Dec. 22 (CP).—Ernest Swanson, twenty-five, was injured fatally here yesterday when a bucket of dirt fell down a well at his father's lumber mill and struck him on the head. Granada is eighty-five miles west of Edmonton.

RETIRING FROM SERVICE

OTTAWA, Dec. 22 (CP).—W. A. Pound, deputy minister of fisheries, will retire from the Government service within a few days, it was learned here tonight. He will reach the retirement age of sixty-five on Saturday.

YOUTHS SENTENCED

CALGARY, Dec. 22 (CP).—Five youths were sentenced to one year in jail, when they appeared in Calgary police court on charges, laid after theft of a Calgary automobile December 9. The youths were arrested after an eighty-mile chase near Lacombe, Alta., December 10.

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SIGN TRADE TREATY

KAUNAS, Lithuania, Dec. 22 (AP).—Poland and Lithuania, which almost went to war last March over strained relations, today signed a trade treaty arranging for exchange of goods worth more than \$2,000,000. The one-year treaty provides for Poland's use of Memel Harbor for exports from Eastern Poland.

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

LAKE COWICHAN, Dec. 20.—The pupils of the Lake Cowichan Junior and Intermediate schools recently held their annual Christmas concert, which was a great success, the children having been well trained under their teachers, Miss Beth Mrus and Gordon Clarke.

CHAMBERLAIN'S CARD

LONDON, Dec. 22 (AP).—Prime Minister Chamberlain's Christmas card bears the picture of an airplane above the clouds, symbolizing his historic flights which culminated in the Munich agreement. Under the picture is the simple caption: "Munich, September 29, 1938."

SON OF SENATOR HURT

HALIFAX, Dec. 22 (CP).—Graham Dennis, eleven-year-old son of Senator and Mrs. W. H. Dennis, was seriously injured when struck by a motor car while on his way home from school today. X-ray examination disclosed he was suffering from a fracture of the skull, concussion and shock.

BRITISH ENVOY ABSOLVED

LONDON, Dec. 22 (AP).—The Foreign Office yesterday announced the Spanish insurgents had absolved Harold Goodman, British vice-consul at San Sebastian, of any connection with "criminal matters" found in a British consular mailing at the Hispano-French frontier.

LIGHTNING HITS PALACE

VATICAN CITY, Dec. 22 (AP).—Several windows were shattered in Vatican Palace yesterday by a bolt of lightning which struck at a considerable distance from the Pope's apartment. The aged Pontiff remained tranquil and suffered no ill effects, a Vatican news service reported.

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Social Activities and Notes of Personal Interest

Party Given For Orphans

For the second time this week, His Honor the Lieutenant-Governor and Mrs. E. W. Hamber were surrounded by a happy crowd of children, when yesterday afternoon at Government House they entertained sixty children of the Protestant Orphan Home and the little wards of the Children's Aid Society. Never have the gracious host and hostess had more appreciative guests, and never have children more thoroughly enjoyed a party.

The programme arranged for Wednesday's children's fancy dress party was repeated in its entirety, the clowns, the pantomime, the sumptuous tea and the presentation of gifts being the order of the afternoon.

Before leaving, the children, who were accompanied by Mrs. Hamber, the mother of the Orphan Home, Mrs. Harkness and Miss Dwyer, of the staff, sang several carols, the tiny tots joining in "Away in a Manger," and the elder boys and girls sang "The Song of Songs."

Before leaving, the children gave three lusty cheers for His Honor

At the Hotels

DOMINION
Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Bond, Seattle; Miss M. H. Paget, Vancouver; Mrs. C. V. Norton and son, Duncan; H. J. Harris, L. S. Yonston, Vancouver; H. A. Porter, Chelan, Wash.; J. Cave, J. D. Johnston, Vancouver; Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Bigelow, Portland; A. S. Bailey, Lake Cowichan; Mrs. R. Berry, Somerville, Mass.; Mrs. W. McDonald, Miss G. McDonald, J. W. Shaw, Nanaimo; J. E. Ferguson, Youbou.

BOXING DAY FROLIC

A special Boxing Day frolic will be held on Monday at the A.O.F. Hall, the proceeds of which will be donated to Percy Ridgely, popular local singer who has been ill for the past twelve weeks and recently underwent an operation. A popular old-time orchestra will provide the music, and a large crowd is expected for this worthy cause.

Little Guests at Government House Party



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Social and Personal

Santa Claus Party

Miss Mona Jewell entertained on Tuesday evening with a Santa Claus party when about 100 little guests greeted Santa Claus on his arrival. After a programme of dances, songs and recitations, each little guest received a package from Santa Claus. The following children were present: Jean Patterson (Cobbie Hill), Cherie Malcolm, Jeanne Yates, Diane Christensen, Lucy Parker, Dana Fee, Julia Fisher, Dorothy Adams, Joyce Foster, Ellen Foster, Beverly Buging, Pamela and Grace Ferguson, Doreen Douglass, Marjorie Graham, Ruby and Ena Fover, Evelyn Rogers, Jerry Long, Shirley Cammiller, Nancy Pearce, Hugh Randy, Shirley Nelson, Joan Amson, Patay Howard, Joyce Poir, Dorothy Nuttall, Vera, Hazel and Joan Pearson, Maureen McCabe, Elaine Impey, Violet Watt, Betty Webb, Peggy and Brian Palin, Jean Carter, Helen McDonald, Shirley Jarvis, Merna and Jenny McDonald, Joyce Henton, Cecil Temple, Wilma Renouf, Elaine Ingram, Kathleen Stromkins, Maureen Renouf, Sylvia Welsh, Thirrell Lipsey, Joan and Jean McGrath, Margaret Semple, Shirley Boden, Elna Mitchell, Winnie Brown, Joan Cromack, Trudy, Edith and Bobby McGill, Valerie McAllister, Annette Cole, Beatrice Stromkins, Nancy White, Maureen Vance, Beverly Barker, Beverly Taylor, Robin and Gay Grant, Eleanor Hill, Allan Hare, Laurel Young, Sylvia Stone, Gerry and Mary Kennedy, Nora Coleman, Robin Robinson, Eileen Leckie, Margaret Welsh, Marilyn

Ingram, Joan Augustine, Joan Long, Joy Bagshaw, Verna Stromkins, Evelyn Leckie, Darlene and Joyce Woodburn, Bonita and Beverly Evans (Duncan), and Donna McWhinney. Miss Catherine Hamilton, A.C.M., was the accompanist for the evening.

Christmas Social

A most enjoyable Christmas social was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. McVie on Monday evening when over fifty members of the Esquimalt Community Club gathered for an evening of games, carol singing and contests. Mr. L. Howe acted as master of ceremonies, assisted by R. McVie. During the evening Mr. J. Maynard, retiring vice-president, presented Mrs. McVie with a beautiful fern on behalf of the club, and wished her the compliments of the season. Prizes were won by the following: Turkeys, Mrs. W. Petrie, Mrs. J. Rimmer, Mrs. Parlane, W. Broadhurst, N. Wilkinson and J. Boyle. The "age" game was won by Mrs. R. Quinn and J. Cockrill, "movie stars" by Cecil Temple, Wilma Renouf, Elaine Ingram, Kathleen Stromkins, Maureen Renouf, Sylvia Welsh, Thirrell Lipsey, Joan and Jean McGrath, Margaret Semple, Shirley Boden, Elna Mitchell, Winnie Brown, Joan Cromack, Trudy, Edith and Bobby McGill, Valerie McAllister, Annette Cole, Beatrice Stromkins, Nancy White, Maureen Vance, Beverly Barker, Beverly Taylor, Robin and Gay Grant, Eleanor Hill, Allan Hare, Laurel Young, Sylvia Stone, Gerry and Mary Kennedy, Nora Coleman, Robin Robinson, Eileen Leckie, Margaret Welsh, Marilyn

Birthday Party

A delightful surprise birthday party was held for Mrs. C. W. Morish at her home at 1246 Acton Street on Saturday evening. The hostess received many lovely gifts and cards, which were prettily arranged on her buffet. The evening was spent in several tables of cards. A sit-down supper was served, the rooms being decorated with Christmas colored streamers and icicles, giving the effect of Fairyland. In the centre of the table stood a silver basket in which were arranged imitation poinsettias. The guests included Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Morish, Mr. and Mrs. F. Wilkinson, Mr. and Mrs. A. Restell, Mr. and Mrs. R. Mountain, Madeline J. Beadle, B. Rose, N. Couden, Misses Mary Wilkinson, Mavis Restell, Joyce and Kathleen Morish.

Christmas Party

Mrs. P. Leonard James, Todd Road, gave an enjoyable party last evening for her daughter, Rosemary. The guests being a number of school friends. Games, dancing and conjuring tricks were included in the entertainment, and supper was

served at a table beautifully decorated with miniature Christmas trees and red candles. Those present were Misses Joan Wilksher, Joan Pope, Daphne Syson, Pam Mitchell, Anne Croxther, Betty Denniston, Margery Barr, Kate Porter, Jean Mackenzie, Grievie and Valerie Austen-Leigh.

Christmas Bridge

Dr. Irene Bastow Hudson, Amphin Street, held a Christmas bridge party on Wednesday evening when the house was prettily decorated with holly, poinsettias and chrysanthemums. The guests were Miss Jean Bostock (Monte Creek, B.C.), Miss Ruth Sherman, Mrs. John Redpath, Mrs. Jellott, Mrs. Byrne, Mrs. J. B. Clarine, Mrs. Victor Price, Mrs. MacNaughton, Misses Muriel and Aileen Aylard, Miss Nan-Eaton, Miss Dorothy Hay, Miss Marjorie Hadley and Miss Rosa Haggan.

Sorority Party

The Comitas Society of Victoria held a jolly Christmas party at the home of Miss Mildred Baxandall on Wednesday evening, each guest bringing a Christmas gift. During the evening games were played, and later refreshments were served, the table being very gay in Christmas colors with the presents held in a box decorated with Christmas seals. Mrs. W. J. C. Tait, of the Comitas Society in Vancouver, and Mrs. T. R. Harris, Bower, V.I., were guests at the party.

Here for Holidays

Mr. F. W. Tuffrey, field supervisor of the British Columbia Division of the Canadian Red Cross Society, has returned to spend the Christmas holidays with his family at 1517 Cold Harbor Road, after campaign and field organization work throughout the Interior of the province for the past several months.

Holiday at Dance

Mrs. E. E. Watson, Hampshire Road, entertained last night at the Uplands Golf Club, at an enjoyable dance in honor of her daughter, Miss Patay Watson. The traditional Christmas color scheme of red and green was effectively used in the rooms set aside for dancing. One hundred and sixty guests were present.

To Spend Christmas at Home

Mrs. Joan Mathews, who is a student at McGill University, is arriving in the city today to spend the Christmas holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Mayhew, Beach Drive. Mr. and Mrs. Alan Mayhew are also coming over from Vancouver today to spend Christmas with their parents.

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Entertain Staff

Mr. and Mrs. F. E. Winslow, Craigdarroch Road, were hosts at their annual cocktail party yesterday afternoon for the staff of the Royal Trust Company and their wives. Holly, evergreens and beautiful flowers were arranged effectively in the reception rooms.

Arriving for Christmas

Mrs. Francis Wilgess and her daughter, Miss Pat Wilgess, are expected from Vancouver this morning, and will stay at the Angela for the Christmas holidays. They will be joined by Mr. Wilgess on Christmas Day.

Home for Christmas

Miss Marjorie Fletcher, R.N. X-ray technician at the Trail-Tadacna Hospital, arrived in the city Wednesday, and will spend the Christmas holidays with her mother, Mrs. M. A. Fletcher, 962 Heywood Avenue.

Leave for Spokane

Colonel and Mrs. S. L. McMullen, Tyndall Avenue, Gordon Head, are leaving today to spend the Christmas holidays as the guests of Mr. and Mrs. R. E. Enloe in Spokane. They expect to return in about a fortnight.

Expected Tomorrow

Mr. and Mrs. Truesdell, Kent, Seattle, with their two children, Herbert and Thyra Lou, will arrive tomorrow to spend Christmas with Mr. Herbert Kent, 228 Douglas Street.

To Douglas Lake

Mr. R. C. Farrow left yesterday to spend Christmas as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Ward at Douglas Lake.

To Arrive Soon

Miss Betty Allan will arrive from Vancouver on Christmas Day to be with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William M. Allan, Dallas Road.

Returning From Hospital

Mrs. T. Jennings, Victoria View Road, who is a patient in the Jubilee Hospital, will return home today.

Visitor From Vancouver

Mr. Ralph Lowndes, Vancouver, is spending the Christmas season with friends in Victoria.

Anglican Young People

St. Alban's

The regular meeting of St. Alban's branch will be held this evening at 7:30 o'clock in the Church Hall. After a short business meeting, the remainder of the evening will be spent in carol singing.

Langford-Colwood

An enjoyable social evening was held recently by the members of the Langford-Colwood branch at the home of two of their members, Stanley and Herbert Maughan. The rooms were gay with Christmas decorations and an illuminated tree. Each member came in a comic strip costume, and Claude Hincks was awarded the prize for the best costume. Games were enjoyed and refreshments served.

ST. JOHN'S

St. John's A.Y.P.A. held a short business meeting on Monday evening with the president, Miss L. Trickett, in the chair. Miss Thora Harrison, Local Council representative for the branch, gave an excellent report of the meeting held recently. Mr. Bill McDowell, Trail, was welcomed. Rev. G. R. V. Bolter brought the meeting to a close with prayer. At the conclusion of the business meeting, the following members took part in giving humorous impromptu speeches: Stanley Laver, "Power Puffs"; Iris Smith, "Boys I Have Danced With"; Carl Miller, "Eyes"; Joan Bruce, "Boy Friends"; Dave Greenalides, "Wendy Perkins"; Kay Smith, "Ladies' Hats"; Helen Forsyth, "Trousers Buttons"; Derris Wright, "Greta Garbo"; Mr. Bolter, "My First Sermon"; Thora Harrison, "Food I Like"; Bill Mc-



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at the Community Hall, both games and dancing being enjoyed during the evening. Miss Helen Stewart, on behalf of the pupils of Mr. E. Wilt, teacher of the Junior High School, presented him with a lamp on the occasion of his approaching wedding. Mr. Wilt has now left for Winnipeg.

Weddings

BOWMAN-CARTER

A quiet wedding of interest to friends in Victoria and Saanich took place on Wednesday morning at 11 o'clock in St. Mark's Anglican Church, Saanich, Rev. O. L. Jull officiating in marriage. Sophie, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. S. Carter, Carey Road, and Mr. Harry Bowman, only son of Mr. and Mrs. Bowman, of California.

The bride, given in marriage by her father, looked charming in a royal blue flat crepe, fashioned in princess style with tiny buttons down the front and brilliant clips at the throat. She wore a navy blue hat and veil and matching accessories. Her corsage bouquet was of pale pink roses and carnations. The bride was attended by her sister, Mrs. George Call, who wore an attractive gown of beige crepe, with matching accessories, and a corsage bouquet of red roses and carnations. Mr. Dave Carter was best man.

After the ceremony, a reception was held at the home of the bride's parents, where the couple received the good wishes of their friends and relatives. They were assisted in receiving by Mrs. Carter, mother of the bride, who wore a navy blue frock and a corsage bouquet of pale pink carnations, and by Mrs. Bob Pearce, Gorge Road, who wore a grey dress with vintage wine accessories and a corsage bouquet of pink carnations. Refreshments were served from a table decorated in a pink and white color scheme and centred with a three-tier wedding cake.

Mr. and Mrs. Bowman left early in the afternoon to spend their honeymoon motoring on the island. For traveling the bride wore an English grey tweed coat over her wedding dress. On their return they will live at Brentwood.

STANLEY-MOORE

The marriage took place in Winnipeg on Tuesday of Mrs. Faith Monk Moore, elder daughter of Lieut.-Colonel and Mrs. T. B. Monk, Victoria, to Mr. Cecil Stanley, Montreal. Mr. and Mrs. Stanley are on their way to Victoria to spend Christmas with Colonel and Mrs. Monk and will leave after the New Year for Montreal, where they will make their home.

PARTY AT LAKE COWICHAN

The Lake Cowichan High School and Junior High School recently held their annual frolic and dance.

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RAISINS, per lb. 18c	DAINTY DATES, with walnuts, 15¢ per lb. 20c
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CHERRY LAYER FIGS, 15¢ per lb. 10c	FIGS, per lb. 23c
CHERRY LAYER FIGS, 15¢ per lb. 19c	FIGS, per lb. 23c

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OLD ENGLISH PRUNE WINE, 1.99	LYON'S COCKTAIL MIXERS, assorted flavors, 35c
CANADA DRY GINGER ALE, 1.89	Small bottle 60c
SUAGAR, B.C. Finest Granulated, 65c	Large bottle 39c
1.25	
5.65	

CANNED FRUITS AND VEGETABLES

ROYAL PRINCE PEAS, 2 lb. 28c	CRAWFORD'S PINEAPPLE, sliced, 3 lb. 25c
LYON'S PEAS, 2 lb. 28c	LYON'S VALLEY APPLES, 3 lb. 23c
LYON'S PEAS, 2 lb. 28c	LYON'S TOMATO JUICE, 5c
LYON'S PEAS, 2 lb. 28c	LYON'S ALL GREEN APPARATUS, 19c

GARDEN FRESH FROSTED FRUITS AND VEGETABLES	
GARDEN GREEN PEAS, CUT GREEN BEANS, CUT SPINACH, CORN, 23c	
GARDEN GREEN PEAS, 2 lb. 45c	
GARDEN GREEN PEAS, 2 lb. 45c	

FLOR SPECIAL, Robin Hood, Five Reers, Royal Household and Party, 25-lb. sack, 85c	NAVY TOILET TISSUE, 7 lb. 50c
1.59	SPICES, Peppery Dressing, 9c
3.15	

SUNLIGHT SOAP, 4 bars 25c	
LIFEBLOT, 4 bars 29c	
STIMINGTON'S GRAY, 10c, 19c	

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CHERRY, Plain or Flavored, 16c	
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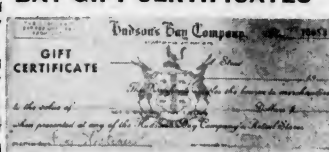
PLEASE SHOP EARLY IN THE DAY...

THE BAY will not be open evenings and your co-operation in shopping early in the day is appreciated. Store hours, 9 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.

CHARGE CUSTOMERS

Charge purchases made today and following days will go on January accounts, payable by February 10, 1939.

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Let our gift wrapper in the special Card Section on the Fashion Floor wrap your gifts with gay and sparkling Christmas trimmings. For a small charge she will make your gifts look festive and individual.

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"STYLECREST" SHIRTS. You can be sure of pleasing if you give him "Stylecrest" shirts. They represent the utmost in quality and value at this price... A wide choice of patterns and shades. 2.25

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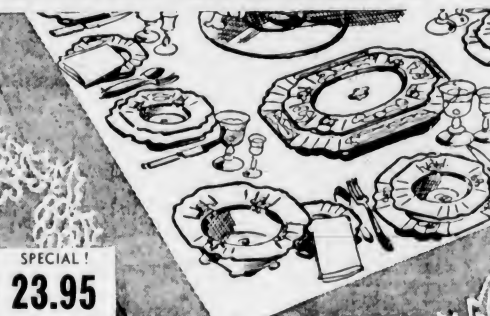
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8-INCH WAX SETS. Assorted colors and designs in 7-piece set. Per set. 89c	8-INCH PIE PLATES. In quality silver stand. A gift the housewife will welcome. 1.95
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21-PIECE BELGIAN CRYSTAL. Comprising a each tall Goblet, shotglasses and Tomato Juice glasses.

5-PIECE PLATWARE. Consisting of 8 each Dinner, Porcelain, Teaspoons, Dessert Spoons, 1 each Butter Knife and Sugar Spoon.

5-PIECE FINE IRISH LINEN. 1 Fabricated and 8 Machine Napkins. China, Third Floor at THE BAY

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Travel Bag, \$7.25	
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Special Clearance of Counter Soiled Toys at Half-Price

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DAINTY EMBROIDERY OUTFITS. For the little miss. She'll spend many pleasing hours with one of these outfits. Reg. 69c, 49c

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JUST ARRIVED! LARGE ASSORTMENT OF STUFFED ANIMALS, ETC. Owing to the late shipment, these have been marked at exceptionally low prices for clearance. Each 25c, 39c, 50c

Spontaneous

Chul Body of James W. Burton, M.D.

ACNE AND THE AGE OF PUBERTY

One of the distressing points about acne—pimples—is that it occurs in boys and girls just at the time when they begin to be conscious of their "looks." Before this time play was their main thought.

The fact that acne begins about the time the boy and girl are emerging into manhood and womanhood—puberty—has caused most research physicians to regard a change or disturbance in the gland system of the body as responsible for acne appearing at this particular time. That acne can and does appear at much earlier and later periods than the puberty period is recorded by Drs. Josephine Hinrichsen and A. C. Ivy, Chicago, in Archives of Dermatology and Syphilology. These

physicians examined 322 boys and 267 girls living in a children's home, varying in age from five to eighteen years, also 549 boys and 379 girls from fourteen to sixteen years. In boys, severe acne was seen first at fourteen years and was most severe between sixteen and nineteen years. In girls, severe acne was seen first at fourteen years and was most severe between sixteen and nineteen years. That acne was more frequent and more severe just before and immediately after the age of puberty was definitely shown as far as

children in the Chicago district are concerned. "In girls severe acne was seen first at eleven and was most severe from fourteen to sixteen years. In boys, severe acne was seen first at fourteen years and was most severe between sixteen and nineteen years." Since puberty occurs earlier in girls and the life or sex glands are concerned in acne, as they apparently are, acne should occur earlier in girls. Acne has its definite onset in girls from one to three

years before or after the establishment of the monthly periods. In fact, many girls with acne notice an increase in the degree of acne at the monthly period. A history of acne in one or more members of the family was given by 73 per cent of the girls at the children's home and by 57 per cent of the boys. The thought, then, is that acne must be expected by a great many boys and girls at this particular time, and they must be patient for

two or three years. If, however, the acne is severe or fails to clear up in due time, the use of vitaminol and also the use of gland products—pituitary, thyroid, insulin—may be prescribed by the family physician. "The average woman motorist hasn't the faintest idea what to do in a sudden emergency," complains a road-warrior. The real trouble is, of course, that she does it.

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A STORY AS WARMLY HUMAN AS THE HARDY FAMILY SERIES!

Judy Garland
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 DOORS OPEN 12:01 SUNDAY NIGHT 12:01
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THE YOUNG IN HEART
 GAYNOR FAIRBANKS GODDARD
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ALL SEATS **35c** **PLAZA** **35c**

QUALICUM SCHOOL CONCERT
 QUALICUM BEACH, Dec. 30.
 The first Christmas concert of the Qualicum Beach Boys' School was held last week in the school theatre, with a large number of parents and friends present. The programme included three one-act plays by the junior school, group singing and recitations, and piano solos by O. H. Knight, M.A., Mus. Bac., and his promising pupil, David Moullet. The plays were directed by R. I. Knight, M.A., the headmaster.

LOSSES BY FIRE KEPT DOWN HERE
 Property Valued at \$1,310 Consumed Last Month—Five False Alarms

Fire losses in November totaled \$1,310, according to figures furnished by Fire Chief Alex Munroe. Losses from January 1 to November 30 were \$23,748.

Losses in November last year were \$667. From January to the end of that month, they totaled \$64,316.

Five false alarms were turned in last month. An arrest was made in one case.

From January to the end of November, the fire department received 46 alarms, sixty-nine of which represented fires with a loss of property.

Property valued at \$2,000,000 was at risk during the fires. The total loss during the eleven-month period was \$22,497 to insurance companies. The uninsured loss was \$1,251.

Records show fire department apparatus traveled more than 10,000 miles, 67,000 feet of hose was laid, one mile of ladders raised, 2,908 drills held, 11,302 buildings inspected and 236 notices for the removal of fire hazards served.

DONALD STANCIL
GUilty OF THEFT
 Receives Sentence of Eighteen Months on Two Charges of Burglary

Donald Stancil pleaded guilty in the city police court yesterday to a charge of breaking, entering and committing theft at the Moore-Wilmington Lumber Company, Ltd., mill on or about July 25, and another charge of breaking, entering and committing theft about August 20 at the home of J. A. Barnswell, 3011 Balfour Street.

Magistrate Henry C. Hall sentenced the accused to serve eighteen months in prison at hard labor on each charge, the sentences to run concurrently with others imposed for a large number of burglary and theft convictions.

Detective P. W. Richards produced in court the goods stolen from the mill and dwelling. He stated they had been recovered with the assistance of Stancil.

An order for the return of the articles was made by the magistrate.

Columbia
 TODAY AND SATURDAY
 CLARENCE E. MCFORD'S
"Pride of the West"
 WITH WILLIAM BOYD

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 GUY KIRBY • ALICE BRAY
 IN
"Mama Steps Out"

NEW SERIAL, Except Saturday Night
"Wild Bill Hickok"
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"SOS. Coastguard"
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10c 12:30-2 15c 2-3:30

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 30 Minutes of Thrills — Laughs
"Sky Devils"
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 WITH
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 12-1:10 1-4 15c 1:30-2 25c

Adults 20c Till 7 P.M.
OAK BAY Matinee Saturday 15c
"THE TEXANS"
 SALLY EILERS • PAUL KELLY
"NURSE FROM BROOKLYN"

SANTA CLAUS VISITS CLUB

Rev. A. E. Hendy Gives Short Address While Visiting Artists Take Part

Addressing the Rotary Club at its Christmas luncheon in the Empress Hotel yesterday, Rev. A. E. Hendy called upon the members of the club to make anew their offering of their strength and their minds to Christ. It was well, he said, that Christmas came round when they could join hands and the pleasant memories of Christmas times were renewed.

It was well to have a season when they could express the spirit of peace and good will. Only when men were ended with good will could they expect peace to come on this earth.

In opening his address, the speaker said that he had wished that Rev. Dr. W. J. Sippell might have been charged with speaking to them. It was a long time since he had heard so eloquent an address as that given by Dr. Sippell a few weeks ago.

This was a sentimental time for young and old. There was also the serious side to the picture. It was over 1900 years ago since the first Noel pilgrimage was made by men to pay homage to the Babe of Bethlehem.

PEACE IS NEEDED.
 If they were to have peace, and there was no doubt that this was needed today, it could be obtained through the embracing of the teachings of Christ.

Santa Claus, impersonated by Fred Butterfield, presented and distributed presents. The president, G. Hamilton Harman, conveyed a Christmas greeting to all the members. Community singing of carols, led by Tom Kelway, followed.

Madame V. Gruffato, soprano singer, rendered "Noel," which was followed by repeated encores.

Little Miss Shirley Cummings, Vancouver, a granddaughter of J. C. Pendray, gave a toe dance, which was heartily applauded. Mrs. C. C. Warr was the accompanist.

A cable of well wishes was read before the meeting closed, from Frank Turney, on his arrival in Hongkong.

TRUST COMPANY WINS AT COURT

Alberta Judge Finds Against Dukhobor Community in Sum of \$163,000

EDMONTON, Dec. 22 (CP). — Mr. Justice A. E. Ewing, in a Supreme Court judgment today, awarded the National Trust Company, mortgage holders in the Dukhobor community lands in Cowley-Lundbreck area, \$163,000 in a \$350,000 action against the Christian Community of Universal Brotherhood of Alberta, Ltd.

The trust company had asked for \$350,000 and interest for bonds which the brotherhood was alleged to have obtained under a deed of trust and a mortgage securing the deed of trust.

APPOINTED RECEIVER.
 George L. Alter, Vancouver chartered accountant, officially was appointed receiver and manager of the property and assets of the brotherhood by Mr. Justice Ewing. The company had asked for the appointment of a manager in the claim. He will supervise the disposing of 11,000 acres held by the brotherhood at Cowley, Alta.

The jurist gave leave for the land to be sold. It probably will be re-sold to individual Dukhobors.

The Christian Community of Universal Brotherhood will exist in Alberta in name only. Its leader, Peter Veregin, may have a spiritual influence over the community, but he has forfeited any business influence, it was learned.

At the Theatres

CHILD ACTORS IN ROLLICKING MOOD

"Little Tough Guys in Society," Opening at Dominion Theatre, Has Notable Cast

Herding the rise of a sensational new group of talented kid actors, Universal's hilarious comedy drama, "Little Tough Guys in Society," will open today at the Dominion Theatre, with Mischa Auer, Mary Boland, Edward Everett Horton and Helen Parrish.

Rolling in mood, subject and background, the story deals with the bewildered efforts of a wealthy society matron to keep her indolent son, Jackie Searl, from spending his entire life in bed. Helen Parrish has the romantic lead opposite Searl, and Frankie Thomas is seen as the leader of the "Little Tough Guys."

BOBBY BREEN IS STAR AT ATLAS

"Breaking the Ice" in Spectacle of Romantic Comedy and Music Here Today

An entertaining mixture of spectacle, romance, comedy and music is the palatable fourfold attraction in "Breaking the Ice," the Bobby Breen starring picture which will open today at the Atlas Theatre.

The spectacle is provided by six-year-old Irene Dare, the world's youngest figure skater; the romance by Dolores Costello; the comedy by Charlie Ruggles and the music by Bobby Breen, who sings five hit numbers, three of them composed by Frank Churchill, who wrote the songs for "Snow White and the Seven Dwarfs."

"THE DAWN PATROL" IN EXTRA SHOWING

"The Dawn Patrol," which will have a special preview showing at the Capitol Theatre, commencing at 12:05 o'clock Sunday night, boasts one of the most brilliant casts to be assembled in one picture in many a day. With Errol Flynn, hero of some of the screen's greatest adventures as its star, the other members of the heroic "Dawn Patrol" are played by such actors as Basil Rathbone, David Niven, Donald Crisp, Melville Cooper, Barry Fitzgerald, Carl Esmond, Peter Willes, and many others.

PLAZA COSSACKS

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 Seat Sale Now! Floor Seats
 Tickets from 50c to \$1.00
 Local Direction — C. LaForte

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Ormond's Soda Biscuits, large carton	14c	Spencer's Jelly Powder, all flavors, per pkt.	5c	Blue Mountain Pineapple, slices, crushed	3 tins 25c
I.R.C. Honey Graham Wafers, 1-lb. pkt.	13c	Jell-O, all flavors, per pkt.	6c	Libby's Orange Juice, 12½-oz. tins	3 for 25c
Brit-Tack Rye Bread, per pkt.	12c	Shirriff's Lush or Sweet Mystery	2 pkts. 15c	Preserved Apricots, Peaches or Pears, 2½-sq.	2 tins 25c
Nabob Jelly Powders	3 pkts. 10c	SAATCHI PEARS, RASPBERRIES, LOGANBERRIES, CHERRIES, STRAWBERRIES, BLACK-BERRIES AND CANNED FRUIT AND JUICES OF ALL KINDS			
Brentwood Green Peas, 2½-tall	3 tins 25c	Orchard City Peas, 2½-oz. tins	4 for 25c	Maple Leaf Bread Flour—48-lb. sack	\$1.50
Royal City Tomatoes—Large tins	3 for 25c	Libby's Dill Pickles, large tin	23c	24-lb. sack	78c
Brentwood Green Beans, 2½-tall	3 tins 25c	Libby's Sweet Potatoes, large tin	19c	Duncan's Ginger or Port Wine, large bottle	22c
Brentwood Golden Bantam or White Corn, 2½-tall	3 tins 25c	Monarch Pastry Flour—10-lb. cotton sack	35c	Gold Band Ginger, Cherry or Port Wine, large bottle	35c
Santa Cruz Hearts of Artichokes, per tin	35c	7-lb. paper sack	25c	Grantham's Lime Juice Cordial, large bottle	29c
Libby's Sauerkraut, large tin	15c				

GINGER ALE, GINGER BEER, SEVEN UP, CRESTA BLANCA AND MINERAL WATER IN GREAT VARIETY

Spencer's Pork and Beans, 18-oz. tins	3 for 25c	Cute Salmon, large tins	3 for 25c	JAMESON'S SPECIALS	
Libby's Cooked Spaghetti	3 tins 25c	King Oscar Sardines, large tin	14c	Tea, 1-lb. pkt.	48c
Hedlund's or Swift's Potted Meats, at	3 tins 25c	HEINZ SPECIALS		Coffee, 1-lb. pkt.	35c
K-D Plum Pudding, 4-lb. tin	45c	Cooked Spaghetti, handy size tins	3 for 25c	Cocoa, 1-lb. carton	19c
Empress Mince-meat, 4-lb. tin	49c	Tomato Ketchup, large 14-oz. bottle	19c	Essences, Spices and Herbs of All Kinds	
Happy-Vale Mince-meat, 2-lb. tin	25c	Pickles, all kinds, large jars	30c	Swift's Savor-tite Spiced Ham, tin	42c
Brunswick Chicken Huddle, 2 tins	25c	Cream of Tomato Soup, 10-oz. tins	3 for 25c	Brand's English Plum Puddings, at each	60c and \$1.00
Todd's Horseshoe Salmon, ½-lb. per tin	16c	Cooked Macaroni, in cream sauce with cheese, 10-oz. 2 tins	27c	Try Spencer's Fresh-Roasted Coffee, per lb.	23c, 25c and 35c
Todd's Tiger Salmon, ½-lb. per tin	12c	El Rancho Corned Beef, per tin	12c	Purity Salt, Iodized or Plain, per shaker	5c

WE HAVE EVERYTHING FOR YOUR CHRISTMAS PUDDINGS AND CAKES

Nabob Brandy or Rum Substitute, 2-oz. bottle	25c	Nabob Orange, Grapefruit and Lemon Marmalade, 4-lb. tin	39c	SPENCER'S TEA SPECIALS	
Columbia Pure Apricot Jam, 4-lb. tin	37c	Murray's Apple and Strawberry Jam, 4-lb. tin	37c	Rich Family Tea, per lb.	55c
Nabob Pure Strawberry or Raspberry Jam, 4-lb. tin	49c	SPENCER'S MALT SPECIAL		Breakfast Blend, per lb.	43c
Nabob Pure Plum Jam, 4-lb. tin	35c	1 Tin Malt, 1 pkt. Hops, 1 Yeast Cake, 3 lbs. Demerara Sugar, 1 oz. Gelatine. All for	\$1.30	Quality Tea, per lb.	40c
Royal City Orange Marmalade, 4-lb. tin	34c	Spencer's Special Bulk Tea, 3 lbs.	\$1.00	Mother's All-Occasion Cocoa, 3-lb. tin	29c
Fresh Crystallized Ginger	2 lbs. 25c	Pure Dutch Cocoa, 1-lb. bag	10c	Cowan's Breakfast Cocoa, ½-lb. tin	25c
Dr. Jackson's Roman Meal, Libby's or Bekus, per pkt.	29c	Anna Lee Scott's Special Cake Flour, large packet	25c	Blue Ribbon Tea, 1-lb. pkt.	48c
Red River Cereal, per pkt.	20c and 39c	Swans Down Cake Flour, per pkt.	24c	Blue Ribbon Coffee, 1-lb. pkt.	37c
B. & K. Oatmeal, coarse, fine or medium, 5-lb. sack	28c	Kellogg's Corn Flakes, And 1 Glass Bowl Free	3 pkts. 24c	While Quantities Last	
Canada Corn Starch, per pkt.	9c	Libby's Tomato or Vegetable Soup, at	4 tins 27c	BISCUIT SPECIALS	
Robin Hood Quick Oats, 5-lb. sack	28c	Libby's Tomato Catsup, per bottle	12c	Manning's, 1-lb. Assorted, at per pkt.	33c
Kellogg's All- Bran, large pkt.	19c	New Smyrna Figs, per lb. 15c, 18c and	24c	Fig Bars, per lb.	17c
Grape-Nuts, 3 pkts.	27c	Crisco, 3-lb. tin for	57c	Christie's Brighton Wafers, per lb.	21c
Robin Hood Wafer Flake Oats, per pkt.	13c	1-lb. tin for	20c	Whitman's Biscuits, per lb.	21c
Ogilvie's Cracked Wheat, 3-lb. sack	19c	Bright's Tomato Juice, 25½-oz. tin	9c	Sunlight Soap, per bar	5c
Bovill or Oak Cubes, large tin	19c	New Table Raisins, per pkt., 20c, 22c and	38c	Royal Crown, P. & G. or Pearl White Soap, 3 bars	10c
Nice Mixed Nuts—Best quality Pecans, Walnuts, Almonds, Filberts and Brazil, per lb.	23c	Old Orchard Pure Honey, per jar	15c	Chips, Oxydol or Rinso, large pkt.	19c
		Polly Prim Diced Red Beets, 16-oz. tins	3 for 25c	Lux Toilet Soap, per cake	5c

SPEND A DAY SHOPPING AT SPENCER'S—YOU WILL SAVE MONEY

low and Alderman W. H. Davies. A large number of local artists, including the Irish tenor, Tim Collins, and many others will endeavor to raise the sum of \$500, which will be divided between the two organizations.

According to Mrs. Barr, secretary of the Christmas bureau, nearly 750 cheques, ranging from \$1 to \$10, have been mailed to underprivileged citizens. Applications are still being filed and it is hoped that with a generous response from the radio audience this evening, the balance of \$250 required by Reeve Crouch, to take care of the hampers for the Saanich needy, will be taken care of.

APPLE SHIPMENTS UP
 HALIFAX, Dec. 22 (CP). — Nova Scotia's Department of Agriculture reported today exports of apples for this season up to the week ending December 21 totaled 1,211,841 barrels. Total shipped up to the same date last year was 890,052.

RADIO AUCTION TO HELP FUNDS
 Valuable Articles to Be Sold During CPCT Christmas Cheer Broadcast Tonight

Through the kindness of a number of Victoria merchants there will be a large assortment of merchandise including a new bicycle, fur coat, English sweaters, candy, bottled home-made jam, antiques, gasoline and fruit, available for the radio auction which will be held during this evening's broadcast over station CPCT which will commence at 8 o'clock.

The final radio drive is being held in aid of the Greater Victoria Christmas cheer fund and the Saanich hammer fund. George E. MacDonald will handle the microphone and will be assisted by F. E. Winstanley.

BLAZE DESTROYS NOTGROVE MANOR
 Country House Where Descendants of Famed Dick Whittington Lived For Centuries Burned

STOW, England, Dec. 22 (AP). — Fire today destroyed Notgrove Manor, imposing Cotswold country house where descendants of Dick Whittington, London's famous fourteenth century Lord Mayor, lived for hundreds of years.

Lady Anderson, wife of Sir Alan Anderson, the present owner of the house, escaped from a bedroom by sliding down a rope made of knotted sheets.

One fire engine trying to reach the house had to be dug out of snow, and six feet deep. Valuable books, pictures and manuscripts were burned.

RANGERS STRENGTHEN HOLD ON SECOND POSITION

DEFEAT CANADIENS TO MOVE CLOSER TO IDLE BOSTON SQUAD

Patrick's Squad Takes 5-2 Decision From Montreal—Shibicky and Mac Colville Big Point-Getters—Detroit Wings and Chicago Play to 3-3 Deadlock After Overtime

MONTREAL, Dec. 22 (CP).—New York Rangers strengthened their hold on the second rung in the National Hockey League tonight by defeating Canadiens, 5-2, for their third straight victory this season over the Flying Frenchmen.

Alex Shibicky paced a Ranger attack that hit its peak in the last minutes of the third period by scoring three goals, while Mac Colville got one and Clint Smith the other. Babe Siebert, burly defenseman, scored both Montreal goals, which came in the final period.

It was the fourth defeat in a row for Canadiens and left them in the N.H.L. cellar.

Line-Ups
Rangers—Kerr, M. Patrick, Coulter, Smith, Dillon and Allen. Subs: Pratt, N. Colville, M. Colville, Shibicky, Watson, Hextall, Heller and Molyneux.
Canadiens—Bourque, Buswell, Siebert, Brown, Ware and Cain. Subs: Evans, Wentworth, Willson, Lorrain, Mantha, Summerhill, Haynes, Blake and Gagnon.
Referee, Norm Lamport; linesman, S. Mantha.

Summary
First Period—No scoring. Penalties: Cain, Watson.
Second Period—1, Rangers, M. Colville (N. Colville, M. Patrick), 5:26; 2, Rangers, Shibicky (M. Colville, N. Colville), 6:30. Penalties: M. Patrick, Coulter.
Third Period—3, Montreal, Siebert (Blake, Gagnon), 4:05; 4, Rangers, Shibicky (M. Colville, Coulter), 14:39; 5, Montreal, Siebert (Haynes, Gagnon), 15:46; 6, Rangers, Shibicky (M. Colville), 17:52; 7, Rangers, Smith (Heller), 18:08. Penalty: Pratt.

PLAY TO DRAW
CHICAGO, Dec. 22 (CP).—A smashing second period drive netted three goals for Detroit Red Wings here tonight and gave them a 3-3 overtime tie with Chicago Black Hawks, lifting them a point out of the National Hockey League cellar. Black Hawks have yet to collect a victory over Detroit after three attempts this season.

Detroit uncorked its rush six minutes after the start of the second period. In succession, Dave Trotter, Marty Barry and then Carl Liscombe beat Goale Karakas, Barry while Levinsky was doing penalty duty.

Two of the Hawks' goals came when they themselves were short-handed. Earl Siebert, defenseman, who accounted for the first two scores, rode alone from the middle of the ice to beat Tiny Thompson for the first goal after intercepting the puck. Bob Gracie repeated the performance at the start of the second period for the final Hawk tally.

Approximately 7,500 spectators witnessed the game.

Line-Ups
Detroit—Thompson; Goodfellow, Bowman; Motter, Liscombe, Kelly, Sube, Young, Stewart, Lewis, Barry, Howe, Brunetteau, Kilrea, Trotter, Conacher.
Chicago—Karakas; Mackenzie, Siebert; Dahlstrom; P. Thompson, Beiler, Sube, Wiebe, March, Gottselig, Levinsky, Billico, Robinson, Thoms, Gracie, Desilets.
Referee, Smith; linesman, MacPayden.

Summary
First Period—1, Chicago, Siebert, 4:11; 2, Chicago, Siebert (Gottselig, Gracie), 10:42. Penalties: P. Thompson, Bowman, Stewart, Desilets.
Second Period—3, Chicago, Gracie, 2:24; Detroit, Trotter (Lewis), 6:45; 5, Detroit, Barry (Conacher, Brunetteau), 12:39; 6, Detroit, Liscombe (Motter), 15:32. Penalties: Lewis, Levinsky.
Third Period—No scoring. Penalties: Desilets, Stewart, March.
Overtime Period—No scoring. No penalties.

Garrison Eleven To Play Dockers In Soccer Final

ESQUIMALT and the Garrison soccer elevens will meet in the Freddy Price Memorial Cup final on Saturday, December 31, at the Royal Athletic Park. Dockers gained the last round of the knockout series by virtue of their 2-1 triumph over the Navy. Wednesday Football League team, while the Tommies from Work Point gained the right to meet the dockers by defeating the last week, when they topped back Victoria West, 4-2. The kick-off is set for 2:15 o'clock with T. M. Robb as referee.

SWIM ENTRIES NUMBER SEVEN

Annual Yuletide Event Will Be Held Monday—Harbord Cup Major Award

Judging by the interest being displayed in the annual Christmas swim to be held Monday morning in front of the seawall, this year's event will attract the largest entry in many years. Seven swimmers have already filed their entries and others are expected to follow suit before the starting time of the handicap event.

Swimmers wishing to take part are asked to send their names and addresses to the Crystal Garden, and they will be passed on to officials of the Victoria Amateur Swimming Club, sponsors of the swim.

The race will start at 11 o'clock. Officials are as follows: Referee, George I. Warren; starter and handicapper, W. T. Stanyon; judges, Ted Slingby and W. H. Dyer.

The winner will hold the Capt. W. H. Harbord Cup for one year, and all competitors who finish the course will receive Polar Bear Club pins.

FAIR GROUNDS RACING

FAIR GROUNDS, Dec. 22.—Results here today follow:

FIRST RACE—Six furlongs. Inland (Blaise), 55.4; 40, 120, 10, 20. Black Buster (Hass), 5:00. 2, 80. Meisoun (Castille), 5:00. 3, 80.

SECOND RACE—Five and one-half furlongs. Caracole (Hendy), 17.40. 14, 100, 12, 40. Jim Corral (McCoy), 6:50. 2, 80.

THIRD RACE—Five and one-half furlongs. Garden Manager (Castille), 112.40. 14, 20. Royal Tuxen (Hendy), 10:30. 1, 80. Idol (Eckard), 10:30. 2, 80.

FOURTH RACE—Five and one-half furlongs. Tumbler (Kerr), 17.40. 14, 20. 1, 80. 2, 80. 3, 80. 4, 80. 5, 80. 6, 80. 7, 80. 8, 80. 9, 80. 10, 80. 11, 80. 12, 80. 13, 80. 14, 80. 15, 80. 16, 80. 17, 80. 18, 80. 19, 80. 20, 80. 21, 80. 22, 80. 23, 80. 24, 80. 25, 80. 26, 80. 27, 80. 28, 80. 29, 80. 30, 80. 31, 80. 32, 80. 33, 80. 34, 80. 35, 80. 36, 80. 37, 80. 38, 80. 39, 80. 40, 80. 41, 80. 42, 80. 43, 80. 44, 80. 45, 80. 46, 80. 47, 80. 48, 80. 49, 80. 50, 80. 51, 80. 52, 80. 53, 80. 54, 80. 55, 80. 56, 80. 57, 80. 58, 80. 59, 80. 60, 80. 61, 80. 62, 80. 63, 80. 64, 80. 65, 80. 66, 80. 67, 80. 68, 80. 69, 80. 70, 80. 71, 80. 72, 80. 73, 80. 74, 80. 75, 80. 76, 80. 77, 80. 78, 80. 79, 80. 80, 80. 81, 80. 82, 80. 83, 80. 84, 80. 85, 80. 86, 80. 87, 80. 88, 80. 89, 80. 90, 80. 91, 80. 92, 80. 93, 80. 94, 80. 95, 80. 96, 80. 97, 80. 98, 80. 99, 80. 100, 80. 101, 80. 102, 80. 103, 80. 104, 80. 105, 80. 106, 80. 107, 80. 108, 80. 109, 80. 110, 80. 111, 80. 112, 80. 113, 80. 114, 80. 115, 80. 116, 80. 117, 80. 118, 80. 119, 80. 120, 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Young Cricketers Coming West for Mainland Series

TORONTO, Dec. 22 (CP).—Early next summer thirteen Ontario junior cricketers will go to Vancouver to take part in a series of matches in that city, according to an announcement from Bill Paris, secretary of the Toronto Board of Governors.

Provinces taking part will be Ontario, Manitoba, Alberta and British Columbia. A senior series was held by the Province some years ago.

Western cricketers have indulged in international matches, and this latest move is an indication that in these four provinces, at least, junior cricket is operating under well-organized bodies. In British Columbia cricket is on the school games curriculum.

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ENGLISH ELEVENS FACING HEAVY LIST

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A hard programme faces Newport County, pacemaker in the Third Division's Southern Section. The Welshmen are not likely to falter in

a home match with Clapton Orient Saturday, but will have to play at top form to take four points from Swindon Town, Barnsley, Northern circuit leader, has even harder battles. Oldham Athletic is visitor, Saturday, and two games with Bradford City follow.

SCOTTISH LEAGUE

GLASGOW, Dec. 22 (P).—While the English Football League schedule calls for three games in four days, starting Saturday, the Scottish circuit swings along with its usual week-end fixture list. The Scots' tough programme comes a week later with the New Year's celebrations.

To date the championship race has seen four teams in top place. Clyde and Queen of the South were early-season leaders. Celtic took over and relinquished the spot to Glasgow Rangers after a month's reign. The light blues still lead with a three-point advantage over the Celtic and five points ahead of the Hearts.

Rangers will perform before a home crowd against the lowly St. Mirren team and Celtic travels to Aberdeen. The Saints can hardly hope for success, but the Dons smarting under the 5-2 defeat inflicted by Rangers last week, may spring a surprise on the Celts.

Perhaps the best bet—for first-class football—is the Hearts-Partick Thistle clash at Edinburgh. The Thistles trail the team from the Scottish capital by one point and in recent weeks have played head-up football.

Two other contests are scheduled for Glasgow, with Clyde and Queen's Park at home to Falkirk and St. Johnstone, respectively. Hibernians go to Dumfries for a match with Queen of the South, while Hamilton Academicals is gunning for its third straight victory, this time against Arbroath.

Remaining matches bring together Albion Rovers and Ayr United, Kilmarnock and Motherwell and Raith Rovers and Third Lanark.

Runaway leader of the Second Division, Cowdenbeath is favored to ship Leith Athletic East Fife, in second place six points behind, performance at Morton.

GOT US DOING IT

Arriving at church one Sunday a man found a stranger sitting in his seat. "Excuse me, but you're occupying my seat," he said. "I'm sorry," said the stranger, "but I was sworn into this church."

JOHNNY MIZE TOP SLUGGER

St. Louis Cardinals' First Baseman Leader in National League

NEW YORK, Dec. 22 (AP).—Slugging honors in the National League last season went to St. Louis Cardinals, while Chicago Cubs won the pennant without a player in the top ten sluggers and finished fifth as a team. The Cards finished the season in sixth place.

Official figures released today by the National League showed Johnny Mize was the leading slugsman with 326 total bases in 531 times at bat for a slugging percentage of .614. Joe (Ducky-Wucky) Medwick, also of the Cards, led in runs batted in for the third consecutive year with 122. And the team as a unit led the league in slugging and runs batted in.

The ten leading sluggers were, in order: Mize, Cards, 614; Ott, Giants, 583; Medwick, Cards, 536; Goodman, Reds, 533; Lombardi, Reds, 524; John Rizzo, Pittsburgh, 514; Dolph Camilli, Brooklyn, 485; Berger, Reds, 476; Koy, Brooklyn, 468; Phelps, Brooklyn, 457.

Connie Mack Has Birthday Today

PHILADELPHIA, Dec. 22 (AP).—Connie Mack counted his baseball blessings tonight on the eve of his seventy-sixth birthday anniversary and found he could start the 1939 season with the "nucleus" of a team good enough to "build upon" for another championship.

"I didn't mind what they did in 1938. Our position in the race didn't matter. All I know is that we started with nothing and finished with something—a nucleus, something to begin with and build upon. It'll be different this time."

Art Ross Acquires Right Winger From Hershey Ice Squad

BOSTON, Dec. 22 (AP).—Manager Art Ross of Boston Bruins' National Hockey League team, tonight obtained Harry Frost, a right winger, from the Hershey International-American League farm, as a precautionary move.

Ross said Milt Schmidt, centre of the Bruins' high-scoring "saucer-kraut" line, would be out of action for ten days with injuries suffered against Canadiens here on Tuesday night. Winger Charlie Sands, hurt in the same game, is in poor condition, and Bill Cowley, another injured centre, will not be available for another two weeks.

Al Delaney Ready For Jack London

LONDON, Dec. 22 (P).—Al Delaney, Oshawa, Ont., boxer, today stated he is prepared to accept a challenge from Jack London, West Hartlepool, for a substantial stake. Delaney's last victory was last Monday, when he knocked out Pancho Villar, of Spain, in the seventh round of a ten-round bout.

TRAIL SQUAD IN SECOND VICTORY

AMSTERDAM, Dec. 22 (CP).—Trail Smoke Eaters hockey team, touring Europe, tonight defeated the European Canadians, 4-1, in a fast match here. The first and fourth goals for

Victoria Fullbacks For Boxing Day



GEORGE LEGGETT



BOBBY BELL

RIGHT and left fullback, respectively, of the Victoria United football squad, which will oppose New Westminster Royals, former Dominion titleholders, at the Royal Athletic Park on Monday at 2:15 with Referee Robb in charge. It will mark the fourth appearance of the United in Inter-City League competition and the boys will be gunning for their third straight triumph, having previously beaten the Radicals and North Shore, present Canadian champions. Victoria lost its first engagement to St. Andrews here by a 6-3 score. Leggett has played inter-city soccer for years and is a dependable back, while Bell is the youngster who is rapidly developing into one of Victoria's best defenders. Bell is replacing Jack Cook on the local back division.

Smoke Eaters were scored by Ab Cronie, with Bunny Dame tallying the second and Mickey Brennen the third.

Last night at The Hague the Smoke Eaters won over the European Canadians by the same score. Their next game will be played in Berlin Christmas night.

SEAHAWKS IN HOCKEY WIN

PORTLAND, Dec. 22 (P).—Seattle Seahawks, only team to defeat Portland Buckaroos in the 1938-39 Pacific Coast Hockey League schedule, handed the Bucs their second loss of the schedule to date, 2-1, here tonight.

Eddie Ouellette put Bucs in the lead after two minutes of the third period but Ken Doraty tied the score for Seahawks and Hal Tabor counted the winning marker. The first two periods were scoreless.

The result left the league standings relatively unchanged with Seattle still in second place.

JERSEY CATTLE BREEDERS MEET

W. S. Wainwright Re-elected President of B.C. Body—Other Officers Chosen

A good attendance and general enthusiasm featured the annual meeting of the British Columbia Jersey Breeders' Association held in the Alcazar Hotel, Vancouver. W. S. Wainwright, re-elected president, in reviewing the activities of the year, spoke of the successful Summer outing held in the Agassiz district, and the fine parish show in Chilliwack last Spring, and mentioned the large exhibits of Jerseys that had featured the 1938 fairs generally. He also spoke of the efforts of the association, which had been largely responsible for the appointment of a Jersey fieldman for Western Canada. Regarding sales, shipments had been made to the Orient, and at least three car-load shipments to Alberta, as well as numerous sales to breeders in the State of Washington. Mr. Wainwright made an appeal for 100 per cent of Jersey owners for membership in the British Columbia association.

In commenting on the success of the calf club work, Mr. Wainwright paid tribute to Jersey Farms, Limited, of Vancouver, who had donated a fine shield for annual competition, as well as individual cups for each member of the champion club. It was decided to place calf club members, recommended by the directors, on the mailing list of the association. The president was warmly thanked for his untiring efforts on behalf of the Jersey breed.

RESOLUTIONS DISCUSSED

A number of resolutions were discussed, that the views of the association might be presented at the Toronto meeting of the Canadian Jersey Cattle Club. Regarding the suggestion that the membership fee of the C.J.C.C. be raised, or that the transfer fee be made higher, and the additional revenue be paid over to the local clubs, it was felt that the fees were now high enough, and that the additional fee would work a hardship on the smaller breeder.

Regarding a system of calf registration, whereby it would be necessary to register calves at the time of birth, the president was asked to procure additional information at the time of the C.J.C.C. meeting. A resolution was passed asking that no bull be registered unless his dam had a record, with the exception of bulls imported, or imported in dam from the Island of Jersey. It was felt that too many bulls were raised from cows of insufficient qualifications, both as to type and production, and sold promiscuously among the dairymen of the province. A motion was passed asking that the additional fee of \$5 for the advanced registry of bulls in the "AA" class be abolished.

An invitation to hold the next Summer outing on Vancouver Island was accepted with thanks.

OFFICERS ELECTED

Election of officers for the year 1939 resulted as follows: Honorary president, H. E. Burbridge, Royal Oak; president, W. S. Wainwright, Vancouver; vice-president, Arthur Aylard, Sidney; directors, T. E. Law, Chilliwack; A. E. Dumville, Sardis; Ian Douglas, Sidney; Arthur Aylard, Sidney; Acton Kilby, Harrison Mills; F. Fuller, Naney; Charles Mann, Langley Prairie; George Twiss, Milner; E. C. Hawkins, Crofton; Charles Antenen, Vancouver; S. B. Triggs, Hope; J. J. Grier, Burnaby; M. B. McDermid, Eburne; Hugh Savage, Ladner; Harold Price, Ganges; James McCallan, Jr., Armstrong; William Bullman, Kelowna; and R. Postill, Vernon; auditor, James Braidwood, Victoria.

Swans for Home At Burnaby Are Gift of Victoria

Last Summer the parks committee of the Victoria City Council received a request for a pair of royal swans for New Haven, British Columbia's experimental home for the correction of criminal youth, situated on Marine Drive, midway between Vancouver and New Westminster. The committee gladly acceded to the request, and the swans were shipped to Vancouver this week, under the supervision of W. Herbert Warren, parks superintendent, in time for the first birthday of New Haven, celebrated yesterday.

On the rain-spattered waters of a pond in Burnaby, the royal swans floated yesterday, and explored their new home, after having been presented by Hon. Gordon S. Wisner, K.C., Attorney-General, to the forty-three boys who are now inmates of the home.

A year ago yesterday a score of young prisoners were taken from Oakalla Prison to the Marine Drive mansion, and during the year have done wonders with the old estate, remodeling, painting and tending the grounds.

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My Dear Jane Dixon: Please help me with my problem, which is this:

I am a wife and have worked all of my married life. My husband, too, has worked hard. But when we were climbing and counting pennies to buy a home and furnish it nicely, things were very pleasant. Now, since we are head and shoulders above water, the pleasantness is gone.

My husband says that if I am away from home for a week he shouldn't put the money he allows me for groceries in the bank. I say he should. Am I right or wrong?

When there were anywhere from ten to sixteen in our home to feed I was allowed twelve dollars and fifty cents a week and not one dime extra, regardless of the number. Since there are only three of us he wants to give me whatever the grocery bill amounts to, four or six dollars as the case may be. If he was pleasant about giving me what I need for myself I wouldn't mind, but if I ask for a dime extra there always is a lot of talk about saving money.

Every cent we have saved is in my husband's name. I am not even mentioned in his holdings. As I have been too taken up with my home and family to take a position or to earn money, I feel I surely have earned my part of the savings. I only want what is right. Am I being unreasonable?—Mrs. M. V. S.

Comment: When you are away from home your husband eats as usual, doesn't he? You can't expect him to fast until your return. Since you are not on hand to perform your duties as wife and homemaker you are not earning money, so you have no voice in the disposal of the family fund. However, it is the practice of good employers to allow those who serve them well at least two weeks a year vacation with pay. Surely a good husband should do as much for his wife.

Saving for thrift is admirable, but saving for the mere purpose of piling up money at the expense of good cheer and mutual content in the home is a mean and dangerous habit. Your husband should give you an allowance for your personal needs, aside from mere "groceries." Also you should have a joint interest in property and savings.

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Announce Results Of Story Contest

Results of the judging in the short story contest sponsored by the Victoria and Islands Branch of the Canadian Authors' Association are announced as follows: 1. "Forest Fire," by Bette Hughes, 1022 Chamberlain Street; 2. "Fishermen's Rest," by Edith M. Page, 3491 Saanich Road. Honorable mention "Thou Shalt Sow but Not Reap," by Maureen Evans, Colquhoun; "The Awakening," by Margaret Tomlin, 1215 Seaview Avenue.

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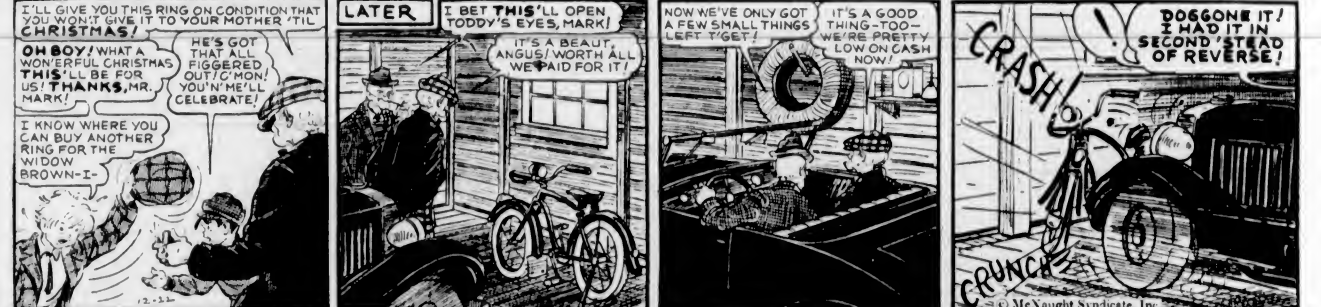
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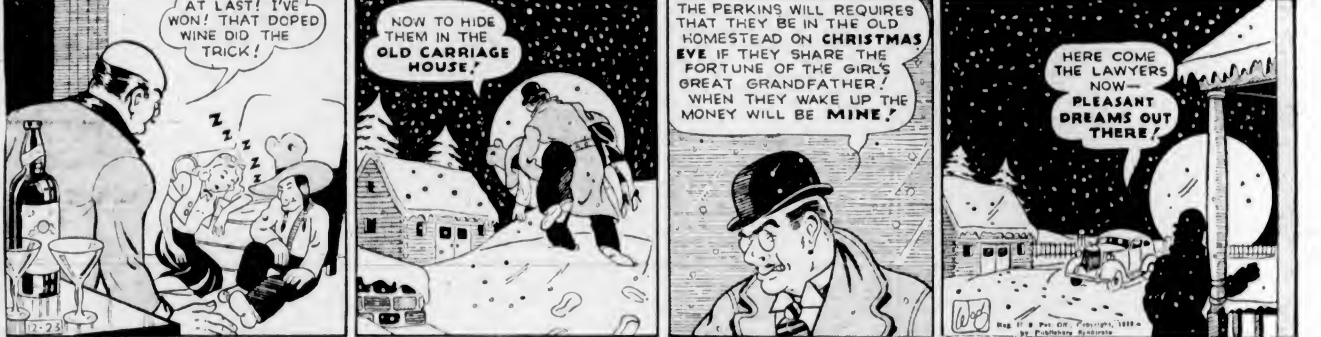
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If December 23 is your birthday, the best hours for you on this date are from 11 a.m. to 1 p.m.; from 4 to 6 p.m., and from 8 to 10 p.m. The danger periods are from 9 to 11 a.m.; from 6 to 8 p.m., and from 10 p.m. until midnight. The spirit of Christmas will be

manifested in many ways this day, getfulness in attending to little particulars by those who have left things will be the contributing factor in many cases of irritation. particularly if letters or important legal documents are involved. Vagueness in extending invitations, making engagements and the arrangement of meeting places, is liable to cause a great deal of confusion, so be most explicit in what ever you have to say. Married and engaged couples, as well as sweethearts, must remember that any

profession of love unsupported by evidence of a depth of sentiment, is likely to be questioned. If a woman and December 23 is your birthday, sincerely is perhaps one of your outstanding characteristics. Alert to any opportunity that might come your way, the chances are you will grasp one that will be your making. Success seems to brighten the path you may start traveling within the next twelve months. Be very careful in saying

yes or no to any questions asked of you. Constructive and not destructive lines of thought will be needed to get the right results. Through prose and verse, art, dramatic work or some highly specialized line of endeavor you may find yourself wearing the laurels of fame. Love may reign supreme throughout your married life. The child born on December 23 is frequently deliberate in its movements, thoughtful in actions and a distinguished name for yourself

asterisks are likely to prevail and will be largely accountable for this youngster's ultimate success. If a man and December 23 is your natal day, your humor and pleasing personality should make you a social favorite and a born salesman. Music, art, acting, educational work, contracting, building and promoting are among the activities that might enable you to make plenty of money and a distinguished name for yourself

"You spend as much on clothes as my secretary earns in a year!"

"You should raise the poor thing's wages, dear."



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